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Fluorine-containing, chiral liquid crystal compounds comprise (a) a chiral fluorochemical terminal portion comprising (i) at least (57) Abstract one chiral center, which can optionally be heteroatom-substituted; (ii) a terminal fluoroalkyl, fluoroether, perfluoroalkyl, or perfluoroether group; and (iii) an alkylene or fluoroalkylene group optionally containing at least one catenary ether oxygen atom; (b) a chiral or achiral group, and this an anything of interconnection of hydrocarbon ether group, and, when chiral comprising at least one chiral center, which can optionally be heteroatom-substituted; and (c) a central core connecting the terminal portions; the alkylene or fluoroalkylene group of the chiral fluorochemical terminal portion having at least 3 in-chain atoms and being located between the chiral center of the chiral fluorochemical terminal portion and the central core. The compounds have smectic mesophases or latent smectic mesophases and are useful, for example, in liquid crystal display devices.

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LIQUID CRYSTAL COMPOUNDS HAVING A CHIRAL FLUORINATED TERMINAL PORTION

Field of the Invention

5 This invention relates to fluorinated chiral smectic liquid crystal compounds, to a process for the preparation of such compounds (and to intermediates for use therein), and to liquid crystal compound mixtures and electrooptical display devices containing such compounds.

Background of the Invention

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Devices employing liquid crystals have found use in a variety of electrooptical applications, in particular those which require compact, energy-efficient, voltage-controlled light valves, e.g., watch and calculator displays, as well as the flat-panel displays found in portable computers and compact televisions. Liquid crystal displays have a number of unique characteristics, including low voltage and low power of operation, which make them the most promising of the non-emissive electrooptical display candidates currently available.

One of the most important characteristics of a

liquid crystal display device is its response time,
i.e., the time required for the device to switch from
the on (light) state to the off (dark) state. In a
ferroelectric or anti-ferroelectric device, response
time (\tau=\pi/P_3E) is proportional to the rotational

viscosity (\eta) of the liquid crystal compound(s)

contained within the device and is inversely
proportional to their polarization (P_s) and to the
applied electric field (E). Thus, response time can be
reduced by using compound(s) having high polarizations

or low viscosities, and such compounds are greatly desired in the art.

In the passive addressing of liquid crystal compounds exhibiting a spontaneous polarization,

5 however, low polarization mixtures can be important for the practical operation of a liquid crystal device. Polarization reversal fields are larger for higher polarization mixtures, and polarization reversal fields cause switching or partial switching back to a material's original director alignment. This results in loss of the bistability that is crucial to the passive-matrix driving of ferroelectric liquid crystal devices.

Another potential disadvantage of using high polarization mixtures is the partial switching of their director alignment in response to non-switching (secondary) signals in a driving waveform. This continued response or fluctuation of the director causes a large decrease in the contrast ratio of a ferroelectric liquid crystal device.

In addition to fast response times, compounds should ideally possess broad smectic temperature ranges to enable operation of the device over a broad range of temperatures (or should be capable of combination with other liquid crystal compounds having different smectic temperature ranges without adversely affecting the smectic phase behavior of the base mixture).

Summary of the Invention

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30 Briefly, in one aspect, this invention provides
. fluorine-containing, chiral liquid crystal compounds
having smectic mesophases or latent smectic mesophases.
(Compounds having latent smectic mesophases are those
which by themselves do not exhibit a smectic mesophase,
35 but which, when in admixture with compounds having

smectic mesophases or with other compounds having latent smectic mesophases, develop smectic mesophases under appropriate conditions.) The chiral liquid crystal compounds of the invention comprise (a) a chiral fluorochemical terminal portion that comprises (i) at least one chiral center (or chiral moiety), which can optionally be heteroatom-substituted; (ii) a terminal fluoroalkyl, fluoroether, perfluoroalkyl, or perfluoroether group (preferably, perfluoroalkyl or perfluoroether); and (iii) an alkylene or 10 fluoroalkylene group optionally containing at least one catenary, i.e., in-chain, ether oxygen atom; (b) a chiral or achiral terminal portion consisting of a hydrocarbon or hydrocarbon ether group and, when chiral, comprising at least one chiral center, which 15 can optionally be heteroatom-substituted; and (c) a central core connecting the terminal portions; the alkylene or fluoroalkylene group of the chiral fluorochemical terminal portion having at least 3 inchain atoms and being located between the chiral center 20 of the chiral fluorochemical terminal portion and the central core (an "extended group").

The chiral fluorochemical terminal portion of the compounds of the invention can be represented by the formula -D-R*-D-R_f, where R* is a cyclic or acyclic chiral moiety containing at least one chiral center (asymmetric carbon atom); R_f is fluoroalkyl, perfluoroalkyl, fluoroether, or perfluoroether; and each D is independently and non-directionally selected from the group consisting of a covalent bond,

-C(=0)-O-C_rH_{2r}-, -O-C_rH_{2r}-, -O-(0=)C-C_rH_{2r}-, -C=C-, -CH=CH-, -C(=0)-,

35 $-O(C_sH_{2s}O)(C_r\cdot H_{2r}\cdot -, -C_rH_{2r}-, +C_sH_{2s}O)(C_r\cdot H_{2r}\cdot -, -O-, -S-,$

$$-OSO_{2}-$$
, $-SO_{2}-$, $-SO_{2}-C_{c}H_{2c}-$, $-C_{c}H_{2c}-N-SO_{2}-$, $-N(C_{p}H_{2p+1})-$, $C_{p}H_{2p+1}$

5 $-C_rH_{2r}-N-C$ (=0) -, -CH=N-, and combinations thereof, where one or more hydrogen atoms can optionally be replaced with fluorine, and where r and r' are independently integers of 0 to about 20, s is independently an integer of 1 to about 10 for each $(C_sH_{2s}O)$, t is an integer of 1 to about 6, and p is an integer of 0 to about 4; with the proviso that at least one chiral center of R* is spaced from the central core by at least 3 in-chain atoms. Preferably, R_f is perfluoroalkyl or perfluoroether; more preferably, 15 R_{ϵ} is perfluoroether, as the perfluoroether-containing compounds of the invention exhibit, e.g., a broad smectic C mesophase, good compatibility with other smectic C compounds, and advantageous layer spacing 20 behavior. When the Rf group of the fluorochemical terminal portion is perfluoroalkyl or perfluoroether, it can contain small amounts of residual carbon-bonded hydrogen atoms but is preferably completely fluorinated.

In general, the compounds of this invention have a central core comprised of at least one or two rings independently selected from the group consisting of aromatic, heteroaromatic, alicyclic, substituted aromatic, substituted heteroaromatic, and substituted alicyclic rings, the rings being connected one with another by a covalent bond or by chemical groups selected from the group consisting of -COO-, -COS-, -HC=N-, -CH=CH-, -C=C-, and -COSe-. The rings can be fused or non-fused. The heteroatoms within the heteroaromatic rings comprise at least one atom selected from the group consisting of nitrogen, oxygen,

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and sulfur. Non-adjacent ring carbon atoms in the alicyclic rings can be substituted by nitrogen, oxygen, or sulfur atoms. When the ring(s) are aromatic, heteroaromatic, substituted aromatic, or substituted heteroaromatic, the non-fused rings of the core are preferably no more than about two in number.

The chiral liquid crystal compounds of the invention exhibit exceptionally wide mesomorphic temperature ranges. When used in electrooptical devices, the compounds provide fast response times upon 10 application of an electric field over broad temperature ranges. This makes them extremely useful in the preparation of mixtures that operate in their active mesomorphic phase in the range of from about -30°C to about 70°C.

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Surprisingly, in comparison with similar compounds having fewer than 3 in-chain atoms between at least one chiral center of the fluorochemical terminal portion and the central core, the compounds of the invention provide comparable electrooptic response speeds in spite of their lower measured polarization values. These lower polarization values in combination with broad mesogenic temperature ranges enable the utilization of liquid crystal mixtures that contain up to 100% of the chiral (optically active) compounds of the invention. In general, mixtures containing a high concentration of the compounds of this invention exhibit more temperature independent switching properties, which is important for the reliable and consistent operation of liquid crystal devices.

Furthermore, the use of high concentrations of liquid crystal compounds having low polarizations also provides a decrease (relative to the use of low concentrations of compounds having high polarizations) in the partial switching response of the resulting

compositions to non-switching (secondary) signals in the driving waveform that is commonly used in the passive addressing of liquid crystal devices. Such a decrease in this response is critical for improving the contrast of a device.

The compounds of the invention are useful in admixture with themselves or with other chiral or achiral liquid crystal compounds (as dopants or as the major components), for electrooptical display applications. The compounds have a number of desirable properties when used in admixture with themselves or with other liquid crystal compounds, preferably compounds having fluorinated terminal portions such as those compounds disclosed, for example, in U.S. Pat. Nos. 4,886,619 (Janulis), 5,082,587 (Janulis), 5,262,082 (Janulis et al.), and 5,658,491 (Kistner et al.).

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For example, the compounds of the invention when admixed with such preferred liquid crystal compounds show excellent compatibility, show a beneficial effect or only a minimal negative effect on the smectic C temperature range of the resulting mixtures (even when present at high concentrations), and provide ferroelectric mixtures having fast electrical response times. Mixtures containing the compounds exhibit 25 favorable alignment, switching, response to an electric field, temperature dependence of response speed, temperature dependence of polarization, contrast, layer structure, and mesomorphic temperature ranges. Compounds of the invention can also be used to optimize mixture properties such as tilt angle, memory angle, spontaneous polarization and its temperature dependence, mesomorphic transition temperatures, switching behavior, birefringence, and the temperature dependence of layer spacing. 35

In other aspects, this invention also provides liquid crystal compounds (described below) having two fluorochemical terminal portions, a mixture of liquid crystal compounds comprising at least one liquid crystal compound of the invention, a liquid crystal display device containing at least one liquid crystal compound of the invention, and liquid crystal intermediate compounds.

10 Brief Description of the Drawing

These and other features, aspects, and advantages of the present invention will become better understood with regard to the following description, appended claims, and accompanying drawing, wherein:

15 Figure 1 shows a plot of smectic C layer spacing (in Angstroms) versus temperature (in degrees Centigrade) for selected compounds of the invention that were prepared by the procedures given in the designated Examples.

20 Detailed Description of the Invention

A class of the above-described liquid crystal compounds of the present invention can be represented by the general formula I:

where M, N, and P are each independently selected from the group consisting of

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a, b, and c are each independently zero or an integer
of from 1 to 3, with the proviso that the sum of a + b
+ c be at least 1 (and preferably no greater than 2);

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each A and B are non-directionally and independently selected from the group consisting of a covalent bond,

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-C(=0)-Te-, $-(CH_2CH_2)_k-$ where k is 1 to 4, -CH=CH-, -C=C-, -CH=N-, $-CH_2-O-$, -C(=0)-, and -O-;

each X, Y, and Z are independently selected from the group consisting of -H, -Cl, -F, -Br, -I, -OH, -OCH₃, -CH₃, -CF₃, -OCF₃, -CN, and -NO₂;

each 1, m, and n are independently zero or an integer of 1 to 4;

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each D is non-directionally and independently selected from the group consisting of a covalent bond, $-C(=0)-O-C_rH_{2r}-,\ -O-C_rH_{2r}-,\ -O-(O=)C-C_rH_{2r}-,\ -C=C-,$ $-CH=CH-,\ -C(=0)-,$

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$$-O+C_sH_{2s}O+_tC_r\cdot H_{2r}\cdot -$$
, $-C_rH_{2r}-$, $+C_sH_{2s}O+_tC_r\cdot H_{2r}\cdot -$, $-O-$, $-S-$,

$$-OSO_{2}-$$
, $-SO_{2}-$ C_rH_{2r}-, $-C_{r}H_{2r}-$ N- $SO_{2}-$, $-N(C_{p}H_{2p+1})-$,

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where one or more hydrogen atoms can optionally be replaced with fluorine, and where r and r' are independently integers of 0 to about 20, s is independently an integer of 1 to about 10 for each (C_sH_{2s}O), t is an integer of 1 to about 6, and p is an integer of 0 to about 4;

R is selected from the group consisting of $-O - ((C_q \cdot H_{2q'-v'} - (R^!)_{v'}) - O)_{v'} - C_q H_{2q+1-v'} - (R^!)_{v'}, \\ - ((C_q \cdot H_{2q'-v'} - (R^!)_{v'}) - O)_{w'} - C_q H_{2q+1-v'} - (R^!)_{v'}, \\ -C (=O) - O - C_q H_{2q+1-v'} - (R^!)_{v'}, \qquad -O - (O=) C - C_q H_{2q+1-v'} - (R^!)_{v'},$

$$-CR'H-(D)_{g}-CR'H-C_{q}H_{2q+1-v}-(R')_{v}$$
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where each R' is independently selected from the group consisting of -Cl, -F, -CF₃, -NO₂, -CN, -H, -C_qH_{2q+1},

-O-(O=)C-C_qH_{2q+1}, -C(=O)-O-C_qH_{2q+1}, -Br, -OH, and $-OC_qH_{2q+1}$ 35 (preferably, -H or -F); q' is independently an integer of 1 to about 20 for each (C_q·H_{2q}·-O); q is an integer of 1 to about 20; w is an integer of 0 to about 10; v is

an integer of 0 to about 2; each v' is independently an integer of 0 to about 2; g is an integer of 1 to about 3; each D is independently and non-directionally selected from the group set forth for D above, with the proviso that the ring containing D has from about 3 to about 10 ring atoms; each W is independently selected from the group consisting of N, CR', and SiR'; and R can be chiral or achiral; and

10 R* is a cyclic or acyclic chiral moiety containing at least one chiral center; and

 R_f is fluoroalkyl, perfluoroalkyl, fluoroether, or perfluoroether;

with the proviso that there are at least 3 in-chain atoms between the central core structure

-(M)_-A-(N)_B-(P)_c- and at least one chiral center of R*.

Preferably, R_t is perfluoroalkyl or perfluoroether and R^* is selected from the group consisting of $-O-((C_{q'}H_{2q'-v'}-(R^*)_{v'})-O)_{w}-C_{q}H_{2q-v}-(R^*)_{v}-, \\ -((C_{q'}H_{2q'-v'}-(R^*)_{v'})-O)_{w}-C_{q}H_{2q-v}-(R^*)_{v}-,$

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$$-C(=0) - O - C_q H_{2q-v} - (R^*)_v - , -O - (O=) C - C_q H_{2q-v} - (R^*)_v - ,$$

where each R' is independently selected from the group consisting of -Cl, -F, -CF₃, -NO₂, -CN, -H, -C_qH_{2q+1},

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 $-0-(0=)C-C_qH_{2q+1}$, $-C(=0)-O-C_qH_{2q+1}$, -Br, -OH, and $-OC_qH_{2q+1}$ (preferably, -H, -F, -CF3, -Br, -OH, or -OCH3; more preferably, -H, -F, or -CF3); q' is independently an integer of 1 to about 20 for each $((C_q,H_{2q'-v'}-(R')_{v'})-0);$ q is an integer of 1 to about 20; w is an integer of 0 to about 10; v is an integer of 0 to about 3; each v' is independently an integer of 0 to about 3; g is an integer of 1 to about 3; each D is independently and non-directionally selected from the group set forth for D above, with the proviso that the ring containing D has from about 3 to about 10 ring atoms; and each W is independently selected from the group consisting of N, CR', and SiR'. More preferably, R_f is perfluoroether.

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In defining Rf, particularly preferred perfluoroalkyl groups are those which can be represented by the formula $-C_qF_{2q}X'$, where q is as defined above (and, preferably, is at least about 5) and X' is hydrogen or fluorine. Particularly preferred perfluoroether groups are those which can be 20 represented by the formula $-(C_xF_{2x}O)_zC_yF_{2y+1}$, where x is independently an integer of 1 to about 10 for each $(C_xF_{2x}O)$, y is an integer of 1 to about 10, and z is an integer of 1 to about 10. Preferably, the perfluoroether group is linear, x is independently an 25 integer of 1 to about 6 for each $(C_xF_{2x}O)$, y is an integer of 1 to about 6, and z is an integer of 1 to about 6.

Preferred subclasses of the above-described chiral compounds of the invention can be represented by the 30 following formula:

$$R'' - (0)_{j} - G - D' - R^* - (C_{S'} H_{2S'} O)_{t'} C_{r''} H_{2r''} - Rf$$
 (II)

where R' is $(R')_v-C_qH_{2q+1-v}$, where q is an integer of 2 to about 10, each R' is independently selected from the group consisting of hydrogen, fluorine, chlorine, methyl, and perfluoromethyl, and v is an integer of 1 to about 2;

j is an integer of 0 or 1;

G is selected from the group consisting of 10

where one or more of the aromatic hydrogen atoms can be replaced with fluorine;

D' is selected from the group consisting of $-O(C_sH_{2s}O)+_cC_r\cdot H_{2r}$, $-C_rH_{2r}$, $+C_sH_{2s}O)+_cC_r\cdot H_{2r}$, and $-O-C_rH_{2r}$, where r and r' are independently integers of 0 to about 12, s is independently an integer of 1 to about 10 for each $(C_sH_{2s}O)$, and t is an integer of 1 to about 3;

 R^{\star} is selected from the group consisting of

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 $-C_qH_{2q-v}-(R^*)_v-$ and

where R' is -F, q is an integer of 1 to about 4, v is
10 an integer of 1 to about 3, W is N or CH, and D" is
-C(=0)-O- or -CH₂-;

s' in Formula II is an integer of 1 to about 6;

15 t' in Formula II is an integer of 0 or 1;

r" in Formula II is an integer of 1 to about 3; and

 R_f is selected from the group consisting of $-C_qF_{2q+1} \text{ and } -(C_xF_{2x}O)_zC_yF_{2y+1}, \text{ where q is an integer of 1}$ to about 6, x is independently an integer of 1 to about 10 for each $(C_xF_{2x}O)$, y is an integer of 1 to about 8, and z is an integer of 1 to about 5;

with the proviso that there are at least 3 in-chain atoms between the central core structure G and at least one chiral center of R*.

More preferably, s', t', and r" in Formula II are each an integer of 1.

The fluorine-containing liquid crystal compounds of the invention can be prepared by a process comprising the steps of (a) mixing at least one compound represented by the formula

$$R+(M)_{\bullet}A+(N)_{\bullet}-D-(R^*)_{\times}-B^*$$
 (III)
 $X_1 Y_m$

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with at least one compound represented by the formula

$$B''+P+c-D-R*-D-R_{f}$$

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or mixing at least one compound represented by the formula

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$$R + M + a - D - (R^{+})_{X} - A'$$

$$| X_{1}$$
(V)

with at least one compound represented by the formula

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$$\begin{array}{c|c} A' & (N)_b B + (P)_c - D - R + - D - R_f \\ & | & | \\ & Y_m & Z_n \end{array}$$
 (VI)

25 or mixing at least one compound represented by the formula

$$\begin{array}{ccc}
R-\{M\}_{\bullet}A-\{N\}_{D}-D-\{R^{\star}\}_{X}-B^{\star} & (III) \\
 & | & | \\
 & X_{1} & Y_{m}
\end{array}$$

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with at least one compound represented by the formula

$$B^{**}-D-R_{f} \qquad (VII),$$

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where M, N, P, a, b, c, A, B, X, Y, Z, 1, m, n, D, R, R^* , and R_f are as defined above for formula I; x is an integer of 0 or 1; and each A', A'', B', and B'' are

independently selected from the group consisting of -H, -Cl, -Br, -I, -OH, -COOH, -CH(CH₂OH)₂, -SH, -SeH, -TeH, -NH₂, -COCl, -CHO, -OSO₂R_f''', -OSO₂CH₃, -C=CH, dialkyl borane, -CH=CH₂, -NH(C=O)OC_qH₂q+1, -NCO,

5 -OSO₂-cyclo(C₆H₄)-CH₃, -CH₂COOH, and -CH(C(O)O-C_qH_{2q+1})₂, where R_f''' is a perfluoroalkyl group having from 1 to about 10 carbon atoms and q is an integer of 0 to about 20, and with the proviso that (R*)_X-A' can enter into an addition or condensation reaction with A'' and that (R*)_X-B' can enter into an addition or condensation reaction with B'';

and (b) allowing compounds III and IV, compounds V and VI, or compounds III and VII to react, optionally in the presence of suitable coupling agent(s), i.e., reagent(s) which effect coupling. For Formula IV, B'' is preferably selected from the group consisting of -C=CH, dialkyl borane, and -CH=CH₂ (more preferably -CH=CH₂), and -D-R*-D-R_f is preferably -D'-R*-(C_S'H_{2S}'O)t'Cr"H₂r"-R_f as defined above for

Formula II.

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In another aspect, liquid crystal compounds of the present invention also include compounds that have two fluorochemical terminal portions and can be represented by the general formula VIII:

where n' is an integer of 0 to about 10 (preferably from about 2 to about 6); j is an integer of 0 or 1; each R_f moiety is independently selected from the group consisting of fluoroalkyl, fluoroether, perfluoroalkyl, and perfluoroether (preferably, perfluoroalkyl or

perfluoroether; more preferably, perfluoroether); and definitions (and preferred definitions) for the other moieties are as stated above for Formula I. Such compounds can be prepared by the above-described methods involving Formulas III, IV, V, VI, and VII, wherein the R moiety is replaced with R_f-CH₂O-C_n·H_{2n·}O-(wherein R_f and n' are as defined for Formula VIII).

Preferred subclasses of the above-described chiral compounds of the invention having two fluorochemical terminal portions can be represented by the following formula:

$$R_f - CH_2O - C_n \cdot H_{2n'}O - G - D' - R^* - (C_s' H_{2s'}O) t' C_r'' H_{2r''} - R_f$$
 (IX)

where n' is an integer of about 2 to about 6 (preferably, 3 or 4); each R_f is independently selected from the group defined above for R_f in regard to Formula II; and all other moieties (and preferred moieties) are as defined above for Formula II.

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Most of the compounds of the present invention have enhanced smectic mesophases. Mixtures of the compounds of the invention with other liquid crystal materials can be formulated to provide desired transition temperatures and broad mesophase temperature ranges. Such mixtures preferably contain compounds having fluorinated terminal portions, such as those compounds described, for example, in U.S. Pat. Nos. 4,886,619 (Janulis) and 5,082,587 (Janulis) and, most preferably, 5,262,082 (Janulis et al.) and 5,658,491 (Kistner et al.). The liquid crystal compounds of the invention can also be used to prepare ferroelectric liquid crystal devices such as, e.g., those described in U.S. Patent Nos. 5,417,883 (Radcliffe) and 5,641,427 (Shinjo) and in EP 769582 and EP 769543.

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The compounds of this invention in admixture with other chiral or achiral liquid crystal compounds may exhibit chiral smectic liquid crystal behavior. Furthermore, many of the perfluoroether groupcontaining liquid crystal compounds of the invention when used alone or when mixed with other liquid crystal compounds of the invention or with achiral, fluorinecontaining liquid crystal compounds (preferably, the perfluoroether group-containing liquid crystal compounds described in U.S. Pat. No. 5,262,082 (Janulis 10 et al.)) exhibit a reduced temperature dependence of the smectic interlayer spacing. This property provides for the spontaneous generation of an essentially bookshelf type layer structure, which is ideal for a ferroelectric liquid crystal device. In general, the compounds of the invention exhibit maintenance or expansion of the smectic C layer spacing with decreasing temperature.

Another advantage of using the materials of this invention in the formulation of liquid crystal mixtures is the low birefringence which can be obtained. The low birefringence of the liquid crystal compounds of the invention (relative to their non-fluorinecontaining analogues) allows the fabrication of devices 25 with larger device spacings. Light transmission through, e.g., a surface-stabilized ferroelectric device (as described in U.S. Patent No. 4,367,924) with two polarizers is represented by the following equation:

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 $I = I_o (\sin^2(4\Theta)) (\sin^2(\pi\Delta nd/\lambda))$

where I_o = transmission through parallel polarizers Θ = material tilt angle

 $\Delta n = liquid crystal birefringence$

d = device spacing

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 λ = wavelength of light used

To maximize the transmission, both $\sin^2(49)$ and $\sin^2(\pi\Delta n d/\lambda)$ must be at maximum. This occurs when each term equals one. The first term is a maximum when the tilt angle equals 22.5°. This is a function of the liquid crystal and is constant for a given material at a given temperature. The second term is maximum when $\Delta n d = \lambda/2$. This demonstrates the criticality of the low birefringence of the materials of this invention. Low birefringence allows a larger device thickness, d, for a given wavelength of light. Thus, a larger device spacing is possible while still maximizing transmission, allowing easier device construction.

Objects and advantages of this invention are further illustrated by the following examples, but the particular materials and amounts thereof recited in these examples, as well as other conditions and details, should not be construed to unduly limit this invention.

In the following examples, all temperatures are in degrees Celsius and all parts and percentages are by weight unless indicated otherwise. Commercially available materials were chemically transformed by reaction pathways well-known to those skilled in the art and detailed in the examples. Chemical transformations were comprised of acylation, esterification, etherification, alkylation, and combinations thereof using fluorine-containing and non-fluorine-containing reactants to provide the precursor compounds, which, in turn, were caused to react

together to yield the chiral, fluorine-containing liquid crystal compounds of this invention.

Compounds prepared in the various examples of this invention were characterized by their melting or boiling point, and structures were confirmed by using at least one of the following methods of analysis: chromatography; ¹³C-, ¹H-, and ¹⁹F-NMR; and infrared and mass spectroscopies.

10 EXAMPLES

The 5-alkyl-2-(4-hydroxyphenyl) pyrimidines used in the examples were prepared essentially as described by Zaschke and Stolle in "Synthese niedrigschmelzender Kristallin-Flussiger Heterocyclen; 5-n-Alkyl-2-[4-nalkanoyloxy-phenyl]pyrimidine," Z.Chem. 15, 441-3 15 (1975). (S) - and (R) -2-fluoro-decyl-p-toluenesulfonate were prepared essentially as described by Nohira et al. in Mol. Cryst. Liq. Cryst. 180B, 379 (1990). Fluorinated alcohols were prepared essentially as described in U.S. Patent No. 5,262,082 (Janulis et al.) 20 by sodium borohydride reduction of the corresponding perfluorinated acids (or derivatives), which had been prepared by electrochemical fluorination (ECF) or by direct fluorination (using elemental fluorine) of the 25 _ corresponding hydrocarbon acids (or derivatives). e.g., the description of ECF given in U.S. Patent No. 2,519,983 (Simons). Direct fluorination is described, e.g., in U.S. Patent No. 5,362,919 (Costello et al.).

30 Example 1

Preparation of (S)-5-Octyl-2-[4-(8-(2-(2-(2-(2-(trifluoromethoxy(tetrafluoroethoxy)tetrafluoroethoxy)-2,2-difluoroethoxy)-7-fluorooctyl)phenyl]pyrimidine

Preparation of Starting Material:

(Trifluoromethoxy(tetrafluoroethoxy) tetrafluoroethoxy) - 2,2-difluoroethoxy) -7-fluorooct-1-ene

Into a dry 3 liter flask fitted with a reflux 5 condenser, a nitrogen inlet, a thermocouple, and an addition funnel, were placed magnesium turnings (37.8 g, 1.55 mol) and dry t-butylmethylether (100 mL). 5bromo-1-pentene (225 g, 1.51 mol) was added to the flask dropwise at a rate which maintained the reflux temperature of the reaction mixture $(55-6^{\circ}C)$. Additional t-butylmethylether (about 1.5 L) was added in 50 mL portions during the addition of the bromide. After the addition was complete, the resulting mixture was heated to reflux for an additional 30 minutes. mixture was then cooled to -65°C. Dilithiotetrachlorocuprate (302 mL, 0.1 M in tetrahydrofuran (THF)) was added, and the resulting reaction mixture was stirred for 45 minutes at -65°C

20 followed by addition of R(-)-epichlorohydrin (125.7 g, 1.36 mol) at a rate not to exceed a reaction mixture temperature of -40°C. The reaction mixture was stirred for an additional 30 minutes, was warmed to -5°C, and was then quenched by

the addition of 250 g of ammonium chloride in 2.5 liters of water. The resulting aqueous phase was extracted with t-butylmethylether (300 mL), and the combined ether layers were washed with ammonium chloride/ammonium hydroxide buffer (2x500 mL) and

saturated sodium chloride (2x500 mL). The solvent was removed under reduced pressure, and the resulting residue was distilled (b.p. = 57 - 72°C at 0.15 torr) to give 183 g of (R)-8-chloro-7-hydroxy-oct-1-ene.

This chlorohydrin was converted in situ to (R)-

35 1,2-epoxy-7-octene and reacted with 2-(2-(2-

(trifluoromethoxy(tetrafluoroethoxy) tetrafluoroethoxy) -2,2-difluoroethanol using the following procedure: (R)-8-chloro-7-hydroxy-oct-1-ene (100 g, 0.61 mol), aqueous potassium hydroxide (45 mL of 45 wt.%), 2-(2-5 (2-(trifluoromethoxy(tetrafluoroethoxy) tetrafluoroethoxy) -2,2-difluoroethanol (291 g, 0.733 mol), Adogen™ 464 (60 g), and 1,2-dimethoxyethane (60 mL) were added to a one liter flask fitted with a mechanical stirrer, an addition funnel, a reflux condenser, and a thermometer. 10 The resulting solution was stirred for one hour at 45°C and then warmed to 60°C, at which time aqueous potassium hydroxide (70 mL of 45 wt%) was added dropwise. This solution was heated for 2 hours at 60°C and then at 70°C for 8 hours. Water (300 mL) was 15 added, and the resulting organic phase was separated and washed with 7 weight % HCl (300 mL). The organic phase was again separated and was concentrated under reduced pressure (25 torr). The resulting crude product was then purified by silica gel chromatography 20 using toluene as eluent to give 268 g of (R)-8-(2-(2-(2-(trifluoromethoxy(tetrafluoroethoxy) tetrafluoroethoxy) -2,2-difluoroethoxy)-7-hydroxyoct-1-ene. Under a nitrogen atmosphere, (R)-8-(2-(2-(2-25 (trifluoromethoxy(tetrafluoroethoxy)tetrafluoroethoxy)-2,2-difluoroethoxy)-7-hydroxyoct-1-ene (60 g, 0.103 mol) and dry toluene (120 mL) were added to an ovendried flask with stirring. The resulting solution was 30 cooled to -15°C, perfluorobutanesulfonyl fluoride (58.9 g, 0.185 mol) was added, and the resulting reaction mixture was stirred for 5 minutes. 1,8-Diazabicyclo[5.4.0]undec-7-ene (28.7 g, 0.189 mol) was

then added at a rate so as not to exceed a temperature of 5°C for the reaction mixture. The reaction mixture

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was stirred for 1 hour at ambient temperature and was quenched by the addition of toluene (120 mL) and water The resulting organic phase was separated from the resulting aqueous phase, and the aqueous phase was washed with toluene. The combined organic extracts were washed with 120 mL of 7 volume % HCl. combined extracts were concentrated under reduced pressure (25 torr), and the resulting crude product was distilled (b.p. 58-65°C at 0.01 torr) to give 33.8 g of (trifluoromethoxy(tetrafluoroethoxy)tetrafluoroethoxy)-2,2-difluoroethoxy)-7-fluorooct-1-ene.

Preparation of Starting Material:

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4-(5-Octylpyrimidine-2-yl)phenyl Nonafluorobutane 15 Sulfonate

A 12 liter flask fitted with a mechanical stirrer, a constant addition funnel, a thermometer, and a reflux condenser was charged with of 5-octyl-2-(4hydroxyphenyl)pyrimidine (300 g, 1.05 mol), 20 perfluorobutanesulfonyl fluoride (378 g, 1.25 mol), and tert-butylmethylether (3 L) under positive nitrogen pressure and was cooled with an ice bath to 16°C. 1,8-Diazabicyclo[5.4.0]undec-7-ene (180 g, 1.18 mol) was 25 added to the resulting mixture over 25 minutes, while maintaining the temperature of the mixture below 20°C. After the addition was complete, the mixture was stirred at room temperature for 2 hours, and then 3 liters of water was added. The resulting aqueous phase 30 was separated from the resulting organic phase, and the organic phase was washed with a mixture of 2.25 liters of water and 0.75 liters of concentrated HCl. The solvent was removed from the organic phase under reduced pressure to yield 697 g of crude product, which was recrystallized from ethanol to yield 4-(5-octyl

pyrimidine-2-yl)phenyl nonafluorobutane sulfonate (499 g, 84% yield).

Preparation of Product:

A 1 liter flask fitted with a magnetic stirring 5 bar, a thermocouple, and a nitrogen inlet was charged with anhydrous tetrahydrofuran (230 mL) and 9borabicyclo[3.3.1]nonane (229 mL, 0.5 M in THF) under a nitrogen atmosphere. The resulting solution was cooled (trifluoromethoxy(tetrafluoroethoxy) tetrafluoroethoxy) -2,2-difluoroethoxy)-7-fluorooct-1-ene (50 g, 95.4 mmol) was added via syringe at a rate such that the temperature of the resulting mixture was maintained below 7°C. The mixture was stirred for 14 hours, and 15 then $PdCl_2(Ph_3P)_2$ (2.0 g, 2.86 mmol), NaOH (11.4 g, 286.1 mmol), and 4-(5-octyl pyrimidine-2-yl)phenyl nonafluorobutane sulfonate (54.0 g, 95.4 mmol) were added. The resulting mixture was heated to 50°C for 1.5 hours and was then poured into 1 liter of water. 20 The resulting product was extracted with toluene (3x100 mL), and the toluene extracts were washed with water (3x100 mL). The solvent was removed under reduced pressure, and the resulting crude brown product was chromatographed through 200 g of silica gel (10 volume 25 % ethyl acetate in heptanes eluent) and was further purified by recrystallization from heptane at -20°C followed by Kugelrohr distillation (b.p. 195 - 197°C at 0.02 torr; yield 54.7 g).

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Examples 2 through 140

Example 2 - 140 were prepared essentially as described in Example 1 using homologous starting materials according to the following general Scheme 1

(where n is an integer of 0 to 7 and R_t and R are as defined above for Formula I.

Scheme 1

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Example 141

Preparation of 5-Hexyloxy-2-[4(-6-(2-pentafluoroethoxy)-2,2-difluoroethoxy)-(S)-7-

10 fluorooctyl)phenyl]pyrimidine

pentafluoroethoxy)-2,2-difluoroethoxy)-(R)-7-hydroxyoctyl)phenyl]pyrimidine, was prepared by combining 5-hexyloxy-2-[4-(1,2-15 epoxyhexyl)phenyl]pyrimidine (3.0 g, 7.85 mmol; which can be prepared from (R)-1,2-epoxy-7-octene and 4-(5-hexyloxypyrimidine-2-yl)phenyl trifluoromethanesulfonate by the method described in Oh-e, T. et. al., J. Org. Chem. 58, 2201 (1993).), 2-pentfluoroethoxy-2,2-difluoroethanol (2.04 g, 9.42 mmol), AdogenTM 464 (0.4 mL), potassium hydroxide (1.0 mL 50 weight % in H₂O), and THF (1 mL). The resulting mixture was heated at 75°C for 12 hours. The resulting

The starting material, 5-hexyloxy-2-[4(-6-(2-

alcohol was purified by recrystallization from acetonitrile (yield 3.99 g).

The title compound was prepared by dropwise addition of 5-hexyloxy-2-[4(-6-(2-pentafluoroethoxy)-5 2,2-difluoroethoxy)-(R)-7hydroxyoctyl)phenyl]pyrimidine (3.99 g, 6.68 mmol) in THF (13 mL) to a solution of diethylaminosulfur trifluoride (1.2 g, 7.35 mmol) in THF (22 mL) at -50°C. The resulting mixture was then warmed to 0°C and subsequently cooled to -50°C before addition of pyridine (1.1 mL). The mixture was stirred at room temperature for 12 hours and was then added to a slurry of silica gel (15 g in 100 mL diethyl ether). Solvent was removed under reduced pressure, and the resulting product was purified by column chromatography (silica 15 gel), eluting with 10:1 hexane/ethyl acetate, followed by Kugelrohr distillation (b.p. 156-165°C at 0.1 torr; yield 0.93 g).

20 Examples 142 through 163

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Examples 142 - 163 were prepared essentially as described in Example 141 using homologous materials as shown in the following general Scheme 2. In Scheme 2, n is an integer of 4 to 6, and R_f and R are as defined above for Formula I.

Scheme 2

Examples 164 through 175

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Examples 164 - 175 were prepared essentially as described in Example 141 using (S) 3-(3-butenyloxy)-1,2-epoxy-propane (prepared from (R) epichlorohydrin and 3-buten-1-ol using $BF_3 \cdot Et_2O$ and subsequent treatment with base) in place of (R)-1,2-epoxy-7-octene according to the following general Scheme 3. In Scheme 3, n is an integer of 4, and R_f and R are as defined above for Formula I.

Scheme 3

$$(CH_2)_{\Pi}OCH_2$$

$$1)_{\Pi}CH_2OH$$

$$2)_{\Pi}CH_2OH$$

$$2)_{\Pi}CH_2OH_2CHCH_2OCH_2R_f}$$

Examples 176 through 186

Examples 176 - 186 were prepared essentially as

15 described in Example 1 using (R) 1-chloro-3-(5hexenyloxy) - 2-propanol (prepared from (R)
epichlorohydrin and 5-hexen-1-ol using BF₃·Et₂O) in
place of (R)1-chloro-7-octen-2-ol according to the
following general Scheme 4 (where n is an integer of 4

20 to 6, and R and R_f are as defined above for Formula I):
Scheme 4

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$$(CH_2)_{\Pi}O$$

RefCH₂OH

Fluorination

 $(CH_2)_{\Pi}O$
 OCH_2R_1

X= OSO₂Rf, halogen

Example 187

Example 187 was prepared essentially as described in Example 1 using (S) 1-chloro-3-(5-octenyloxy)- 2propanol (prepared from (R) epichlorohydrin and 7octen-1-ol using BF3 Et20) in place of (R) 1-chloro-7octen-2-ol.

Examples 188 through 201

Examples 188 - 201 were prepared essentially as 10 described in Example 176 using 5-benzyloxy-2-(4trifluoromethanesulfonyloxyphenyl) pyrimidine in place of 5-octyloxy-2-(4-nonafluorobutanesulfonyloxyphenyl) pyrimidine. The resulting compound was treated with 10 weight % palladium on carbon under hydrogen pressure 15 (3100 torr) to obtain 5-hydroxy-2-[4-(6-(3-(2-(2-(2-(trifluoromethoxy(tetrafluoroethoxy) tetrafluoroethoxy) -2,2-difluoroethoxy)-(S)-2fluoropropyloxy) hexyl) phenyl] pyrimidine. This material was then treated under basic conditions with the 20 corresponding chloride or methane sulfonate to give the final products. The procedure is shown in the following general Scheme 5 (where Bn is a benzyl protecting group, n is an integer of 3 or 4, m is an integer of 0 or 1, and R_f and R are as defined above for 25

Formula I):

Scheme 5

Example 202

5 Preparation of 5-Octyloxy-2-[4-(2-(3-(2-(2-(2-(2-(100 nonafluorobutoxy) tetrafluoroethoxy) -2,2-difluoroethoxy) -(R) -2-fluoropropoxy) ethoxy) phenyl] pyridine

The title compound was prepared by combining 5octyloxy-2-[4-hydroxyphenyl]pyrimidine (2.2 g, 7.4 10 mmol), 2-(3-(2-(2-(nonafluorobutoxy) tetrafluoroethoxy) -2,2-difluoroethoxy)-(R)-2-hydroxypropoxy)ethyl chloride (4.2 g, 7.4 mmol), and potassium carbonate (1.2 g, 8.9)mmol) in a 1:1 mixture of acetonitrile and dimethyl formamide. After heating overnight, the resulting 15 mixture was poured into deionized water (40 mL), was filtered, and the resulting product purified by chromatography, eluting with 4:1 and then 2:1 hexane/ethyl acetate (yield 2.56 g). The resulting chiral (R)-hydroxy compound (2.5 g, 3.0 mmol) was 20 treated with diethylaminosulfur trifluoride (0.58 g, 3.6 mmol) to produce the title compound, which was purified by recrystallization from ethanol, followed by

Kugelrohr distillation (b.p. 210-20°C at 0.4 torr; yield 1.42 g).

Example 203

5 Preparation of 5-heptyl-2-[4-(3-(3-(2-(2-(nonafluorobutoxy) tetrafluoroethoxy)-2,2-difluoroethoxy)-(S)-2-

fluoropropoxy) propoxy) phenyl] pyrimidine

The starting material, 3-(3-(2-(2-(nonafluorobutoxy) tetrafluoroethoxy) -2,2-10 difluoroethoxy) - (S) -2-fluoropropoxy) propyl chloride, was prepared by combining 3-(2-(2-(nonafluorobutoxy) tetrafluoroethoxy)-2,2difluoroethoxy)-(S)-2-fluoropropanol (20 g, 39.4 mmol) and 1-bromo-3-chloropropane (18.6 g, 118 mmol). 15 resulting compound (2.0 g, 3.4 mmol) was then combined with 5-heptyl-2-(4-hydroxyphenyl)pyrimidine (0.9 g, 3.4 mmol) in acetonitrile/dimethyl formamide (1:1, 20 mL) using essentially the procedure of Example 8 of International Patent Publication No. WO 96/33251. The 20 resulting crude product was further purified by chromatography, eluting with 30:1 toluene/ethyl acetate, followed by Kugelrohr distillation (180-90°C at 0.01 torr; yield 0.96 g).

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Example 204

30 fluoropropoxy) propoxy) phenyl] pyrimidine

The title compound was prepared essentially as described in Example 8 of International Patent Publication No. WO 96/33251 by combining 3-(3-(2-(2-(nonafluorobutoxy)tetrafluoroethoxy)-2,2-

35 difluoroethoxy) - (S) -2-fluoropropoxy) propyl chloride

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(3.0 g, 5.1 mmol) with 5-hexyloxy-2-(4hydroxyphenyl)pyrimidine (1.4 g, 5.1 mmol). resulting crude product was purified by Kugelrohr distillation (b.p. 170-80°C at 0.01 torr).

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Example 205

Preparation of 5-Octyloxy-2-[4-(4-(2-(2-(nonafluorobutoxy) tetrafluoroethoxy) -2,2difluoroethoxy) - (S) -3-fluorobutoxy) phenyl]pyrimidine

The starting material, 4-(2-(2-10 (nonafluorobutoxy) tetrafluoroethoxy) -2,2difluoroethoxy)-(S)-3-fluorobutane-1-methanesulfonate, was prepared by the following procedure: 4-benzyloxy-(R)-1,2-epoxybutane (8.0 g, 44.9 mmol, prepared essentially as described by J. A. Frick in Synthesis 7, 15 621 (1992)) was combined with 2-(2-(nonafluorobutoxy) tetrafluoroethoxy) -2,2-difluoroethoxy (23.3 g, 53.9 mmol), potassium hydroxide (3.0 g, 53.9 mmol, aqueous) in tetrahydrofuran (3 mL) and refluxed for 3 hours to produce 4-(2-(2-20 (nonafluorobutoxy) tetrafluoroethoxy) -2,2difluoroethoxy)-(R)-3-hydroxybutane-1-

methanesulfonate. This (R)-hydroxy compound (20 g, 32.8 mmol) was treated with diethylaminosulfur tetrafluoride (6.3 g, 39.3 mmol) and was then hydrogenated using Pd(OH)2 on carbon to remove the

benzyl protecting group. The title compound was prepared by combining 5octyloxy-2-(4-hydroxyphenyl)pyrimidine (1.1 g, 3.8

30 mmol) and 4-(2-(2-(nonafluorobutoxy) tetrafluoroethoxy) -2, 2difluoroethoxy) - (S) -3-fluorobutane-1-methanesulfonate (2.3 g, 3.8 mmol) using essentially the procedure of Example 8 of International Patent Publication No. WO 96/33251. The resulting crude product was further

purified by chromatography, followed by Kugelrohr distillation (yield 1.92 g).

Example 206

5 Preparation of 5-Hexyloxy-2-[3-(4-(2-(2-(2-(nonafluorobutoxy))) tetrafluoroathoxy)-2,2-difluoroethoxy)-(S)-3-fluorobutoxy)propyl)phenyl]pyrimidine

The title compound was prepared by adding (nonafluorobutoxy) tetrafluoroethoxy) -2,2-10 difluoroethoxy)-(S)-3-fluorobutoxy)prop-1-ene (3.5 g, 6.2 mmol, prepared by addition of 3-bromopropene to 4-(2-(2-(nonafluorobutoxy)tetrafluoroethoxy)-2,2difluoroethoxy)-(S)-3-fluorobutanol) to a mixture of 5hexyloxy-2-[trifluoromethylsulfonyloxyphenyl]pyrimidine 15 (2.5 g, 6.22 mmol), 9-borabicyclononane (12.4 mL of 0.5 M in THF), PdCl2dPPF ([1,1'-bis(diphenylphosphino)ferrocene]palladium(II) chloride, 50 mg, 0.062 mmol), and K_3PO_4 (2.8 g, 13.1 mmol) in dioxane (17 mL) at a temperature less than 5°C. After stirring the resulting 20 mixture at 100°C for 16 hours, water was added, and the mixture was extracted with toluene. The combined toluene extracts were dried, and the resulting crude product was purified by chromatography, eluting first with 10:1 then 4:1 hexanes/ethyl acetate, followed by Kugelrohr distillation (b.p. 180°C at 0.01 torr; yield 0.95 g).

Example 207

difluoroethoxy)-(S)-3-fluorobutanol (2.0 g, 3.8 mmol), 5-octyloxy-2-[bromomethylphenyl]pyrimidine (prepared essentially as described in EP 474196, 1.44 g, 3.8 mmol), potassium hydroxide (0.21 g, 3.8 mmol), and AdogenTM 464 (0.15 g) in tetrahydrofuran and then heating the resulting mixture overnight at 75°C. The resulting crude product was purified by chromatography, eluting with 8:1 hexanes/ethyl acetate, followed by Kugelrohr distillation (yield 0.45 g).

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Example 208

Preparation of 5-Hexyloxy-2-[4-(4-(2-(2-(nonafluorobutoxy) tetrafluoroethoxy) -2,2-difluoroethoxy) -(S)-3-

15 fluorobutoxy) butoxy) phenyl] pyrimidine

The starting material, 4-(4-(2-(2-(nonafluorobutoxy) tetrafluoroethoxy) -2, 2difluoroethoxy)-(S)-3-fluorobutoxy)butyl bromide, was prepared by combining 1,4-dibromobutane (4.9 g, 22.8 mmol) with 2-(2-(nonafluorobutoxy) tetrafluoroethoxy) -20 2,2-difluoroethoxy)-(S)-3-fluorobutanol (4.0 g, 7.6 mmol). The title compound was prepared essentially as described in Example 8 of International Patent (nonafluorobutoxy) tetrafluoroethoxy) -2,2-25 difluoroethoxy) - (S) -3-fluorobutoxy) butyl bromide (2.7 g, 4.1 mmol) with 5-hexyloxy-2-(4hydroxyphenyl)pyrimidine (1.1 g, 4.1 mmol). resulting crude product was purified by chromatography, eluting with 6:1 hexanes/ethyl acetate (yield 0.58 g). 30

Example 209

Preparation of 5-Octyl-2-[4-(4-(2-(2-(2-(nonafluorobutoxy) tetrafluoroethoxy) -2,2-

difluoroeth xy)-(S)-3-

fluorobutoxy) butoxy) phenyl] pyrimidine

Example 210

Preparation of 5-Heptyl-2-[4-(7-(2-(2-

(nonafluorobutoxy) tetrafluoroethoxy) -2,2difluoroethoxy) - (R) -6-fluoroheptyloxy) phenyl]pyrimidine

The starting material, 7-(2-(2-(nonafluorobutoxy)tetrafluoroethoxy)-2,2-difluoroethoxy)-(R)-6-fluoroheptane-1-methanesulfonate,

was prepared by the following procedure: 7-(2-(2-(nonafluorobutoxy)tetrafluoroethoxy)-2,2-difluoroethoxy)-(R)-6-fluorohept-1-ene (10 g, 18.8 mmol) was treated with BH₃ THF (9.4 mmol) in tetrahydrofuran, followed by oxidation with hydrogen peroxide (30% aqueous, 9.4 mmol) to produce the

corresponding heptanol. This heptanol (8.9 g, 15.7 mmol) was treated with methanesulfonyl chloride (1.98 g, 17.3 mmol) to produce the methanesulfonate derivative

The title compound was prepared by combining 5heptyl-2-(4-hydroxyphenyl)pyrimidine (1.1 g, 3.8 mmol)
and 4-(2-(2-(nonafluorobutoxy)tetrafluoroethoxy)-2,2difluoroethoxy)-(S)-3-fluoropropoxy)butane-1methanesulfonate (2.3 g, 3.8 mmol) essentially as
described in Example 8 of International Patent

Publication No. WO 96/33251. The resulting crude product was further purified by recrystallization from heptane, then from ethanol, followed by Kugelrohr distillation (b.p. 200°C at 0.1 torr; yield 1.79 g).

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Example 211

Preparation of 5-Hexyloxy-2-[4-(7-(2-(2-(2-(nonafluorobutoxy) tetrafluoroethoxy) -2,2-difluoroethoxy)-(R)-6-fluoroheptyloxy) phenyl]pyrimidine

The title compound was prepared by combining 5hexyloxy-2-(4-hydroxyphenyl)pyrimidine (0.36 g, 1.32
mmol) and 4-(2-(2(nonafluorobutoxy)tetrafluoroethoxy)-2,2difluoroethoxy)-(S)-3-fluoropropoxy)butane-1methanesulfonate (0.85 g, 1.32 mmol) essentially as

described in Example 8 of International Patent
Publication No. WO 96/33251. The resulting crude
product was further purified by chromatography, eluting
with 10:1 hexanes/ethyl acetate, followed by Kugelrohr
distillation (b.p. 190-210°C at 0.01 torr; yield 0.67
g).

Example 212

Preparation of 5-Octyloxy-2-[4-(7-(2-(2-25 (nonafluorobutoxy) tetrafluoroethoxy)-2,2difluoroethoxy)-(R)-6-fluoroheptyloxy)-2,3difluorophenyl]pyrimidine

The title compound was prepared essentially as described in Example 211 by combining 5-octyloxy-2-(4-30 hydroxyphenyl)-2,3-difluoropyrimidine and 4-(2-(2-(nonafluorobutoxy)tetrafluoroethoxy)-2,2-difluoroethoxy)-(S)-3-fluoropropoxy)butane-1-methanesulfonate essentially as described in Example 8 of International Patent Publication No. WO 96/33251.

The resulting crude product was further purified by

chromatography, eluting with 10:1 hexanes/ethyl acetate, followed by Kugelrohr distillation.

Example 213

5 Preparation of 5-Octyloxy-2-[4-(7-(2-(2-(2-(nonafluorobutoxy) tetrafluoroethoxy) -2,2-difluoroethoxy) -(R) -6-fluoroheptyloxy) -2,3-difluorophenyl]pyrimidine

The title compound was prepared essentially as

described in Example 211 by combining 5-octyloxy-2-(4-hydroxyphenyl)-3-fluoropyrimidine and 4-(2-(2(nonafluorobutoxy)tetrafluoroethoxy)-2,2difluoroethoxy)-(S)-3-fluoropropoxy)butane-1methanesulfonate essentially as described in Example 8

of International Patent Publication No. WO 96/33251.
The resulting crude product was further purified by chromatography, eluting with 10:1 hexanes/ethyl acetate, followed by Kugelrohr distillation.

20 Example 214

Preparation of 5-(2-(S)-Fluorodecyloxy-2-[4-(6-(2-(2-(nonafluorobutoxy) tetrafluoroethoxy)-2,2-difluoroethoxy)-(S)-5-fluorohexyl)phenyl]pyrimidine

The title compound was prepared by adding

(nonafluorobutoxy) tetrafluoroethoxy) -2, 2
difluoroethoxy) - (S) -5-fluorohex-1-ene (4.0 g, 7.5 mmol)

to a mixture of 5-(2-(S)-fluorodecyloxy-2-[6-(2-(2-(2-(nonafluorobutoxy) tetrafluoroethoxy) -2, 2
difluoroethoxy) - (S) -5-fluorohexyl) phenyl) pyrimidine

(3.6 g, 7.5 mmol), 2-(2, 9-borabicyclononane (15 mL of 0.5 M in THF), PdCl₂dPPF (60 mg, 0.075 mmol), and K₃PO₄

(3.3 g, 15.8 mmol) in dioxane (17 mL) at a temperature less than 5°C. After stirring the resulting mixture at room temperature overnight, water was added, and the

35 mixture was extracted with toluene. The combined

toluene extracts were dried, and the resulting crude product was purified by chromatography, eluting with 10:1 hexanes/ethyl acetate, followed by Kugelrohr distillation (b.p. 190-210°C at 0.01 torr) and recrystallization from heptane (yield 2.2 g).

Example 215

Preparation of 5-Hexyloxy-2-[4-(3-(2-(2-(nonafluorobutoxy) tetrafluoroethoxy) -2,2-

10 difluoroethoxy))-(R)-2-fluoropropyloxy)-(R)-2methylpropyloxy)phenyl]pyrimidine

The starting material, 3-(2-(2-(nonafluorobutoxy)tetrafluoroethoxy)-2,2-difluoroethoxy)-(R)-2-fluoropropyloxy)-(R)-2-

- 15 methylpropane-1-methanesulfonate, was prepared as follows: (S)-2-methyl-3-bromopropanol was alkylated with benzyl bromide to produce (S)-2-methyl-3-bromo-1-benzyloxypropane, which was then combined with 3-(2-(2-(nonafluorobutoxy)) tetrafluoroethoxy)-2,2-
- difluoroethoxy))-(R)-2-fluoropropanol, followed by
 hydrogenation with 10% Pd/C to remove the benzyl
 protecting group. The title compound was prepared by
 combining 5-hexyloxy-2-(4-hydroxyphenyl)pyrimidine (0.7
 g, 2.58 mmol) and 3-(2-(2-
- 25 (nonafluorobutoxy) tetrafluoroethoxy) -2,2difluoroethoxy)) (R) -2-fluoropropyloxy) (R) -2methylpropane-1-methanesulfonate (1.7 g, 2.58 mmol)
 essentially as described in Example 8 of International
 Patent Publication No. WO 96/33251. The resulting
- crude product was further purified by chromatography, eluting with 10:1 hexanes/ethyl acetate, and was recrystallized from heptane, followed by Kugelrohr distillation (b.p. 180-190°C at 0.02 torr; yield 1.28 g).

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Example 216

Preparation of 5-Heptyloxy-2-[4-(3-(2-(2-(2-(nonafluorobutoxy) tetrafluoroethoxy) -2,2-difluoroethoxy) -(S)-1-

15 10.3 mmol), 9-borabicyclononane (20.6 mL of 0.5 M in THF), PdCl₂dPPF (82 mg, 0.1 mmol), and K₃PO₄ (2.8 g, 13.1 mmol) in dioxane (17 mL) at a temperature less than 5°C. After stirring the resulting mixture at 100°C for 16 hours, water was added, and the mixture was

extracted with toluene. The combined toluene extracts were dried, and the resulting crude product was purified by chromatography, eluting with 10:1 hexanes/ethyl acetate, and was recrystallized from heptane, followed by Kugelrohr distillation (b.p. 160-70°C at 0.02 torr; yield 3.04 g).

Example 217

Preparation of 5-Hexyloxy-2-[4-(2-(2-(2-(2-(trifluoromethoxy) tetrafluoroethoxy)

30 tetrafluoroethoxy) -2,2-difluoroethoxy) - (R) -8 fluorononyloxy) phenyl) pyrimidine

The starting material, 2-(2-(2-(2-(trifluoromethoxy)tetrafluoroethoxy)tetrafluoroethoxy)-(2,2-difluoroethoxy)-(R)-8-fluorononyl-1-

35 methanesulfonate, was prepared by hydroboration of 2-

(2-(2-

(trifluoromethoxy) tetrafluoroethoxy) tetrafluoroethoxy) -2,2-difluoroethoxy)-(R)-8-fluoronon-1-ene using BH3 in tetrahydrofuran, followed by mesylation of the resulting nonanol. The title compound was prepared by combining 5-hexyloxy-2-(4-hydroxyphenyl)pyrimidine (2.0 q, 7.8 mmol) and 2-(2-(2-(trifluoromethoxy) tetrafluoroethoxy) tetrafluoroethoxy) -2, 2-difluoroethoxy) - (R) -8fluorononyl-1-methanesulfonate (4.9 g, 7.8 mmol) 10 essentially as described in Example 8 of International Patent Publication No. WO 96/33251. The resulting crude product was further purified by recrystallization from hexanes, followed by chromatography (eluting with 10:1 hexanes/ethyl acetate) and then by Kugelrohr 15 distillation (b.p. 185-95°C at 0.01 torr; yield 2.3 g).

Example 218

The title compound was prepared essentially as in Example 97 of International Patent Publication No.

25 96/15092 by combining 5-heptyloxy-2-(4-hydroxyphenyl)pyrimidine with 5-(3-(2-(2-(nonafluorobutoxy)tetrafluoroethoxy)-2,2-difluoroethoxy))-(S)-2-(fluoropropoxy)-2,2,3,3,4,4-hexafluoropentyl-1-butanesulfonate. The resulting product was purified by chromatography, followed by Kugelrohr distillation (b.p. 200-5°C at 0.008 torr).

Example 219

Preparation of 5-Heptyloxy-2-(4-[4-(3-(2-(2-

35 (nonafluorobutoxy) tetrafluoroethoxy) -2,2-

difluoroethoxy))-(S)-2-(fluoropropoxy)-2,2,3,3,tetrafluorobutyloxy)phenyl]pyrimidine

The title compound was prepared essentially as in Example 97 of International Patent Publication No.

5 96/15092 by combining 5-heptyloxy-2-(4-hydroxyphenyl)pyrimidine with 4-(3-(2-(2-(nonafluorobutoxy)tetrafluoroethoxy)-2,2-difluoroethoxy))-(S)-2-(fluoropropoxy)-2,2,3,3-tetrafluorobutyl-1-butanesulfonate. The resulting product was purified by chromatography, followed by Kugelrohr distillation (b.p. 195-200°C at 0.01 torr).

The compounds of the Examples were evaluated for transition temperatures by differential scanning calorimetry (DSC) and/or optical observation of material phase changes using a hot stage and a polarizing microscope. The transition temperatures (°C) were obtained upon cooling through the isotropic state (I) to the smectic A mesophase (SA), the smectic C mesophase (SC), and higher order mesophases (M1 and M2) and are set forth in Table 1 below.

Table 1.

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| Ex. No. | Structure | I to SA | to S _C | to S _{M1} | to K | to S _C | to S _A |
|------------|---|---------|-------------------|--------------------|------|-------------------|-------------------|
| 1 | CH17-CH2F4JOC4F4JOC4F4JOCF4 | 79.3 | 56.7 | -4.2 | | 22.2 | 59.2 |
| 2 | C_M,O—(CM ₂), OCM,CF ₂ OC ₂ F ₄ OC ₃ F ₅ | 90.9 | 61.3 | 41.5 | | 46.6 | 63.2 |
| 3 | C ₄ H ₄ O-OH ₁ CF ₂ OC ₂ F ₆ OC ₄ F ₆ | 92.3 | 70.1 | 43.2 | | 48.2 | 72.5 |
| 4 | C4H40-CH2)x CH2C4F40C4F4 | 92.1 | 57.6 | 41.1 | | 52.8 | 59.5 |
| 5 | C ₁ H ₁₁ O——————————————————————————————————— | 83.4 | | 34.3 | | | 48.7 |
| 6 | CH10-CH1) CH10C1F1, CCH10C1F1 | 95 | 61 | 27.7 | | 37.7 | 63.3 |

| Ex. No. | Structure | I to SA | to Sc | to S _{M1} | to K | to S _C | to S _A |
|------------|---|---------|-------|--------------------|----------|-------------------|-------------------|
| 7 | C*M**O-CHPOC**OC** | 89.6 | | 32.4 | | | 45.2 |
| 8 | CHHO-CHOCAPO | 84.1 | | 30 | | | 47.9 |
| 9 | G3H410-CH26-CH2C3F60C3F6 | 95 | 50 | 38 | | | ! |
| 10 | C+HHO-CH1P-CC+POC+POC+P | 91.7 | 59.7 | 25.8 | | 34.1 | 62 |
| 11 | CoM 440-CH COM 200 CH 2C 3F 40C 3F 7 | 98.4 | 63.6 | 34 | | 42.7 | 65.9 |
| 12 | C ₁ H ₁₁ O — CH ₂ h CH ₂ CF ₂ OC ₁ F ₀ | 83.5 | | 29.9 | | | 42.9 |
| 13 | C1M410-C1M4CF10C1F40C4F4 | 93.1 | 69.6 | 27.4 | | 34.7 | 72.1 |
| 14 | C 144 110 — (C 14 2)4 — OCH 2C 2F 40C 4F 6 | 91.5 | 54.8 | 23.5 | | 40.8 | 57.6 |
| 15 | C ₂ M _{1,2} ———————————————————————————————————— | 72.8 | 40.9 | 21.4 | | 33.9 | 43.6 |
| 16 | C_H, 2—CH, 16 CH, 16 CH, 1C, F, OCC, F | 67.2 | 31.5 | 17.2 | | 25 | 33.9 |
| 17 | CaMap—CHape CHape ACHAPACAFACCAFA | 65.9 | | 26.1 | | | 40.5 |
| 18 | C ₄ H ₁₂ —CH ₁ h CH ₁ h CCH ₁ CF ₁ CC ₄ F ₄ CC ₄ F ₁ | 67.7 | 38 | 18.2 | | 26.6 | 40.3 |
| 19 | C ₂ M ₁₂ —Ch ₂ LCF ₂ OC ₂ F ₄ | 72.8 | 48.4 | 19.2 | | 26.1 | 51 |
| 20 | CoMiso CHICKING COCHICES COCHICES COCHI | 92 | 1 | 14.9 | | | 31.3 |
| 21 | CoHero-Characteriocatelacete | 103.4 | 74.6 | 12.1 | | 33.4 | 76.2 |
| 22 | C,HL,O-CH, W-CH, W-CF, (OC.) F.J. COCH, | 98.3 | 53 | 19.4 | <u> </u> | 41.5 | |
| 23 | C4H 12O-CH 26-CH 2 | 91.8 | | 13.5 | | | 27.2 |
| 24 | C+H12O-OCH2CF1OC1F4OC1F | 98.6 | 74.1 | 11.6 | | 30.5 | 76.3 |

| Ex. No. | Structure | I to SA | to S _C | to S _{M1} | to K | to S _C | to S _A |
|------------|--|---------|-------------------|--|------|-------------------|-------------------|
| 25 | C ₄ H ₁₀ O———————————————————————————————————— | 103.1 | 69.6 | 15.3 | | 29.9 | 72 |
| 26 | C4H12O-CH2VF-OCH2CF-OCGF- | 98.1 | 70.3 | 2.6 | | 17.6 | 72.6 |
| 27 | C ₁ M ₁ c= C ₁ M ₂ C ₁ C ₂ M ₁ C ₂ C ₃ C ₃ C ₃ C ₄ C ₅ C ₃ C ₅ C ₃ C ₅ | 80.4 | 46.7 | 8 | | 24.8 | 49.4 |
| 28 | C _F M ₁₀ —Ch ₂ CF ₁ OC ₁ F ₁ OC ₂ F ₃ | 73 | 19 | 13 | | | 32 |
| 29 | C ₂ H ₁₈ —CH ₂ CF ₂ OC ₄ F ₈ | 65.4 | 9 | 7 | | | 16.3 |
| 30 | C ₂ H ₁₆ —OH ₂ h OCH ₂ CF ₂ OC ₁ F ₆ OC ₃ F ₆ | 78 | 53 | <rt< td=""><td></td><td></td><td></td></rt<> | | | |
| 31 | C ₇ H ₄₅ —CH ₂ l ₈ —CH ₂ C ₂ F ₆ OC ₄ F ₆ | 73.1 | 35.2 | -1.7 | | 21.3 | 37.4 |
| 32 | C,H10-CH2N-CH2N-CF10C,F0CF3 | 92.4 | 58.1 | 5.9 | | 20 | 60.8 |
| 33 | C ₁ M ₁₃ O———————————————————————————————————— | 100.3 | 74.7 | -15.1 | | 12.5 | 77.1 |
| 34 | C ₇ M ₉₅ OCN ₂ CF ₂ OC ₂ F ₄ OC ₂ | 98.7 | 75.5 | 0 | | 28.4 | 77.8 |
| 35 | CHH 150-0CH2C2F40C2F1 | 93.1 | 59.5 | 5 | | 21.6 | 62 |
| 36 | C;H150 | 100 | 73.6 | 18.1 | | 29.1 | 76.1 |
| 37 | С ² | 103.7 | 80.2 | 1.1 | | 21 | 82.4 |
| 38 | C2H44O-Q-4CH2b-CCH2CF2OC4F | 90.8 | 67.6 | 1.1 | | 13.6 | 70.6 |
| 39 | C+H150-CH2C4F4CC4F | 98.6 | 80.1 | -14. | 9 | 15.3 | 82.8 |
| 40 | C,M,F—OCH,CF1(OC;Fa)rOCI | 78.7 | 50.4 | -4.5 | 5 | 19.6 | 53.5 |
| 41 | C, H, F, OCH, C, F, OCI, F, OCI | F• 74 | 41 | -0. | ı | 22.5 | 45.1 |

| EL No. | Structure | I to SA | to Sc | to S _{M1} | to K | to S _C | to S _A |
|-----------|---|---------|-------|--------------------|----------|-------------------|-------------------|
| 42 | C_H_17—CH_2)CCH_2C_F_6OC_F_6 | 72.5 | 47 | -0.1 | | 24.5 | |
| 43 | C ₀ H ₁ yO—O—O—(CH ₂) ₂ OCH ₂ CF ₂ OC ₂ P ₃ | 88.1 | 61.9 | -15.1 | | 29.5 | 64.4 |
| 44 | C \$H 170-CH 26 \$F 40C 3F 6 | 95.5 | 79.9 | -12.1 | | 18.6 | 82.5 |
| 45 | Cally Control of Child | 93.8 | 82.2 | -12.1 | | 20.9 | 84.6 |
| 46 | C ₂ M ₁ yO—Qy OCM ₂ CF ₂ OC ₂ F ₄ OC ₄ F ₆ | 104.4 | 96.4 | -8 | <u>.</u> | -0.2 | 98.7 |
| 48 | CaHaO-OHACFACCAFOCAFO | 94.6 | 37 | 16.7 | | · | 39 |
| 49 | CH40-CH214 CH2F2C2F40C4F6 | 97.6 | 70.6 | 13.8 | | 27.1 | 72.9 |
| 50 | CMAD—CHIL CHILD CHICFOCIFOCIFOCIFO | 112.4. | 89.5 | 26.3 | | 30 | 91.9 |
| 51 | C.M.O.— (CM.)) CM,CF,OC,F,OC,F,OC,F, | 100.7 | 80.6 | 20.6 | | 42.9 | 83.2 |
| 52 | C,M1,O——————————————————————————————————— | 101.4 | 68.6 | -0.4 | | 28.9 | 71 |
| 53 | C _p M ₁₁ O—OCH ₂ CF ₂ OC ₂ F ₄ OC ₃ OC ₃ F ₄ OC ₃ F ₄ OC ₃ | 95.2 | 46.4 | 3.2 | | 38.5 | 49.1 |
| 54 | C,HHO-CHO,F-100-F-1 | 88.9 | 5 | 4.7 | | 31.3 | |
| 55 | C,H1,O-CH2)4 OCH2CF2OC4F | 87.6 | 32 | -4.1 | | 32.1 | |
| 56 | C ₁ M ₁ ,OCM ₂ C ₂ F ₁ OC ₂ F ₄ OC ₄ F | 112.1 | 89.3 | 43 | 0.7 | 7 | 91.5 |
| 57 | C+H1+O-CH2H4-C2F4OC4F | 97.3 | 59.2 | -7.5 | | 33.7 | 61.6 |
| 58 | C ₁ H ₁ ,OCH ₂ CF ₂ OC ₃ F ₄ OC ₄ H ₁ | 101.3 | 80.4 | 15 | | 49.8 | 82.5 |
| 59 | CHG-CHGF,OCF,OCF | 74.1 | 42.7 | -8.1 | | 4.9 | 45.2 |

| Er. No. | Structure | I to SA | to S _C | to S _{M1} | t K | to S _C | to S _A |
|------------|--|---------|-------------------|--------------------|-----|-------------------|-------------------|
| 60 | C_H_FO | 101.5 | 70.3 | -28 | | 29.2 | 72.7 |
| 61 | C ₆ H ₁₂ O CH ₂ C ₃ F ₆ OC ₃ F ₆ | 107.3 | 76.6 | -23.2 | | 7.6 | 79.1 |
| 62 | C ₂ H ₁₃ O———————————————————————————————————— | 93.6 | 55 | -38.8 | | 9.7 | |
| 63 | C _P M ₁₂ O-OCH ₂ CF ₂ OC ₂ F ₄ OC ₄ F ₆ | 105.8 | 81.2 | -31.8 | | 5 | 83.1 |
| 64 | C ₀ M _{1,2} O———————————————————————————————————— | 116.4 | 97.9 | 42 | -29 | -22 | 100.2 |
| 65 | CH12D-CH2C2F4OC4F6 | 103.2 | 76.7 | -38.5 | | -28.7 | 78.8 |
| 66 | C ₀ H ₁₂ O-OH ₂ CF ₂ OC ₃ F ₄ OC ₆ H ₁₃ | 107.1 | 89.8 | -24.2 | | 23.7 | 92 |
| 67 | C ₂ H ₁₅ —OCH ₂ CF ₃ (OC ₂ F ₄ O) ₂ OCF ₃ | 81 | 48 | -23.9 | | 3.3 | 50.2 |
| 68 | C _p H ₁₀ —C _p H ₂ C _p F ₂ OC _p F ₂ OC _p H ₁₁ | 81.6 | 60.9 | -19.6 | | 18.7 | 63.3 |
| 69 | C+H140-CH20-F40C2F4 | 94.3 | 70.4 | -22.5 | | -12.4 | 72.8 |
| 70 | C ₂ H ₄₅ O———————————————————————————————————— | 92.6 | 73 | -23 | | 14.8 | 75.4 |
| 71 | C7H450-CH267F40C4F | 99.7 | 83.1 | -19.9 | | -10.1 | 85.4 |
| 72 | C4M t2—CH2P4 CCH2CA YOCAL YOCAL | 74.8 | 56.2 | <-30 | | 9 | 58.7 |
| 73 | CoM120-CH2CF30C1F40C4F | 105.8 | | -22,8 | | | 20.8 |
| 74 | C ₆ H ₁₃ O-O-(CH ₂) ₅ C-CH ₂ C ₃ F ₆ C ₆ F | 109.9 | | -5.9 | | | 18.3 |
| 75 | C4H490-CH2F70C4F40C4H | 108.3 | | 6.3 | | | 39.9 |
| 76 | C,H tz — CH ₂ Lb — OCH ₂ CF ₇ OC ₃ F ₄ OC ₄ | F• 83.9 | | 11.8 | | | 34.7 |

| Er. No. | Structure | I to SA | to Sc | to S _{MI} | to K | to S _C | to SA |
|------------|--|---------|-------|--------------------|------|-------------------|-------|
| 77 | C,H ₁₀ CH ₂ CH ₂ C ₄ F ₆ OC ₄ F ₆ | 86.7 | | 17 | | | 34.9 |
| 78 | C,M, O-CH, CH, LOCH, CF, OCF, LOCF, | 108.1 | | -7.3 | | | 29.2 |
| 79 | CpMqq0 | 103 | | -5.2 | | | 36.7 |
| 80 | C,M,10-CH,1CF,1CC,F,0C,F, | 107.9 | | -17.2 | | • | 27.9 |
| 81 | C'H4PO-CH4CFOCOLE | 101.5 | 88.1 | -25.3 | | 15.8 | 88.6 |
| 82 | C,H410———————————————————————————————————— | 102.3 | | -24.9 | | | 15.6 |
| 83 | C7H HO CH2P OC4F | 109.3 | | -9.8 | | | 24.3 |
| 84 | C _F M ₁₈ C———————————————————————————————————— | 109-2 | 70.7 | 8.6 | | 43.5 | 73.7 |
| 85 | CoMor OCHOCFAGOCFAGOCF | 84 | | 14 | | | 36 |
| 86 | CoM of CH21s CCH2CF OCCFF OCCFF | 78.1 | | 17.8 | | | 44.3 |
| 87 | C ₆ H ₆ CH ₂ CF ₃ OC ₃ F ₄ OC ₄ I | 83.2 | | 14.5 | | | 36.8 |
| 88 | C ₀ H ₁₇ —OCH ₂ C ₂ F ₄ OC ₄ F | 77.4 | | 2.5 | | | 23.1 |
| 89 | C4H17———————————————————————————————————— | 76.7 | | -2.5 | | | 20.8 |
| 90 | CoM, F | 86.3 | | 25.7 | | | 49 |
| 91 | C ₄ H ₁ PO-OCH ₃ CF ₃ (OC ₃ F ₄) ₃ OCH | 110.3 | 66 | -17.1 | , | 28.9 | |
| , 92 | C _p H ₁₇ O-O-(CH ₁) ₁ CCH ₁ CF ₁ OC ₁ F ₄ OC ₂ | 105.5 | 35 | -5.3 | | | 35.4 |
| 9: | Comerce Contraction | 108.3 | 72 | -18 | | 29.2 | |

| Ex. No. | Structure | I to SA | t Sc | to S _{MI} | to K | to S _C | to SA |
|------------|--|---------|------|--------------------|------|-------------------|-------|
| 94 | CoMo PO CM SIDE COMO CO POCO POCO POCO POCO POCO POCO P | 109.7 | 70 | -17.3 | | 28 | |
| 95 | CaMillo CHACA OCHACA OCAR | 104.6 | 62.7 | -14.8 | | 21.5 | 65.7 |
| 96 | CeH170-CH26-CH26-CH2C2F4DC4F6 | 104.2 | 58 | -15.1 | | 20.5 | |
| 97 | C ₀₀ M ₀₀ —COM ₂ CF ₂ (OC ₃ F ₄) ₂ OCF ₃ | 86.6 | 43.3 | 25.7 | | | 49.6 |
| 98 | C,M110-CM,37 CCM,CF10C1F10C1F1 | 102.5 | | 14 | | | 38.6 |
| 99 | CPH-12-CCH-1CH-37-CCH-1CH-2CC-1-4OC-1-4 | 79.7 | | 22.6 | | | 43.8 |
| 100 | Cally to CHIST CHIST ACH TO CHIST SHOCK | 107.7 | 45 | 11.2 | | 39.2 | |
| 101 | C4M110-CH2111-CCH2C4F0C4F6 | 106.7 | 80 | 9.4 | | 37.8 | |
| 102 | C_M_10 CH_10_F_0C_F_0C_F_0C_F_0 | 105.4 | | -34 | | | 9.4 |
| 103 | C,M, pO-O-1CM, h.J. OCM, CF, OC, F, O | 111.4 | -3.3 | <-30 | | | 8.5 |
| 104 | C,M, pO-O-CM, b CCM, b CCM, cF, loco, F, b CCF, | 112.7 | 37 | -15.6 | | 23 | |
| 105 | C,H110-CH2CF70C3F40C3F | 109 | 38.8 | -13.5 | | 27.6 | 41 |
| 106 | C,M150-CH25-CCH2CF30CJF40CJF | 109.9 | 77.1 | -15 | | 19 | 79.3 |
| 107 | CHH40 CH25 CH26 FADGAF | 105.9 | 50.6 | -11.6 | | -6.1 | 53.6 |
| 108 | C ₀ M ₀ yo-CM ₀ hyoCF ₀ hyoCF | 113.5 | 72.1 | -10.9 | | 23.7 | 73.9 |
| 109 | C*H*150 | 109.7 | 70.6 | -16.1 | | 30.1 | 73.2 |
| 110 | C*H120-CH372-CCH3C4-0C41 | 106.4 | 73.6 | -7.1 | | -4.5 | 75.9 |
| 111 | Control of the state of the sta | 89.9 | 63.1 | 42.8 | | 47.6 | 65.4 |

| Ex. No. | Structure | I to SA | to S _C | to S _{M1} | to K | to S _C | to S _A |
|------------|--|---------|-------------------|--------------------|------|-------------------|-------------------|
| 112 | C ₂ H ₁₁ O-CH ₂ le OCH ₂ CF ₁ OC ₁ F ₄ OC ₄ F ₆ | 90.5 | 64.9 | 36.8 | | 42.2 | 67.2 |
| 113 | CoHypo-ChypocyFalgoCF | 98 | 73.6 | 30.4 | | 40.2 | 75.9 |
| 114 | C4M110-CM2-CCM2-CF10C1F40C1F1 | 91.2 | 33 | 31.2 | | | 45.6 |
| 115 | Cantido CHASA DCHASA POCAR | 96.4 | 62.8 | 35.2 | | 42.3 | 64.5 |
| 116 | CHILD—CHILD—CHILD CONICS TOCKS | 96.2 | 80.7 | 28.5 | | 37.1 | 83.2 |
| 117 | C,H ₁₅ ———————————————————————————————————— | 75.3 | 46.5 | 28.4 | | 35.2 | 48.2 |
| 118 | С, H, 10 | 95 | 77.2 | 23.5 | | 39.2 | 79.3 |
| 119 | C,M,1,0-C,F,0C,F,0C,F,0C,F,0C,F,0C,F,0C,F,0C, | 93.5 | 68 | 18.8 | | 46.6 | 69.8 |
| 120 | C7H46O-CH2C3F4OC3F | 86 | 37 | 15.5 | | 26.8 | |
| 121 | C7H15O-CH2CF60C2F | 94.8 | 61.5 | 31.1 | | 38.6 | 60.9 |
| 122 | C7H150 | 97.9 | 75.8 | 25.3 | | 34.1 | 77.5 |
| 123 | C,H ₁₂ O—CH ₂ L OCH ₂ CF ₂ OC ₄ F | 88.1 | 57.3 | 22.5 | | 41.4 | 59.9 |
| 124 | C ₂ M ₁₇ —OCM ₂ CF ₃ (OC ₃ F ₃) ₂ OCF | 77.6 | 59.9 | 9.2 | | 34 | 81.1 |
| 12: | CoM-or-OC-F-OC-F-OC-F-OC-F-OC-F-OC-F-OC-F-OC- | 71.1 | 30 | 15.6 | | | 36.1 |
| 120 | C ₄ H ₁ P-CH ₂ C ₃ F ₆ CC ₃ I | 74.5 | 49.8 | 22 | | 36 | 51.5 |
| 12 | 7 C ₂ H ₁₇ ———————————————————————————————————— | F• 64.5 | 26. | 21 | | | 32.6 |
| 12 | 8 C ₂ M _{1,7} O-O-CM ₂ M ₂ OCM ₁ CF ₁ OC ₂ F ₄ OC ₃ | 97.9 | 85. | 1 8.9 | | 37.7 | 87.4 |

| Ex. No. | Structure | I to SA | to Sc | to S _{M1} | to K | to S _C | to SA |
|------------|--|---------|-------|--------------------|------|-------------------|-------|
| 129 | Cantino—China China de Contro de locado de Contro de Con | 93 | 69.6 | -3.5 | | 30.4 | 71.3 |
| 130 | CªH1/20—CH3/CªF30CF8 | 97.9 | 85.1 | 8.9 | | 37.7 | 87.4 |
| 131 | C #H 170-CH 26 CH 2C 3F 80C 3F 7 | 101.4 | 89.2 | 11.7 | | 29.8 | 90.5 |
| 132 | CHITO-CHULL CHICF,CC,F, | 92.7 | 79.3 | 6 | | 20 | 81.5 |
| 133 | C,H,10-01,F,0C,F,0C,F,0C,F, | 103 | 93.7 | 12.9 | | 32.9 | 95.6 |
| 134 | C4H10 CH2Ja CCH2CF2OC4F4OC4F | 76.7 | 48 | 26.8 | 15.6 | 36.9 | |
| 135 | C ₄ H ₁₆ ———————————————————————————————————— | 80 | 60 | 23.5 | | 41.4 | 64 |
| 136 | C ₁ H ₁₀ —CCH ₂ L ₂ CCH ₂ CF ₂ OC ₄ F ₈ | 70.3 | 38 | 14.8 | | 32.6 | |
| 137 | CHINO CHINO CHINO PARCE ACCEPANCE | 86.3 | 64.9 | 45.6 | | 50.7 | 67.3 |
| 138 | Cathara CHarles Acceptations | 94.3 | 67 | 35 | | | 40.4 |
| 139 | C.M., F. CHADA | 77.6 | 59.9 | 9.2 | | 34 | 81.1 |
| 140 | C ₀ H ₁₀ O-C ₀ H ₁₀ CHCH ₂ OCH ₂ C ₂ F ₄ OCF | 88.3 | 79.2 | 15.4 | | 37.5 | 80.4 |
| 141 | Cultura—CH2/aCF40C4F | 82.6 | | 23.5 | | | 37.7 |
| 142 | CH120-CH20CF | 99.2 | 51 | 21.3 | | 38.3 | |
| 143 | C*H*10-CH*19-CCH*2CL*2CC* | 90 | 27 | 8.8 | | | 29 |
| 144 | CHILD (CHI) | 76.9 | 59.5 | -5.7 | | 14.5 | 62 |
| 14: | 5 C4H490 | 100.2 | 82.5 | 9.1 | | 18.9 | 84.8 |

| Ex. No. | Structure | I to SA | to S _C | to S _{M1} | to K | to S _C | to S _A |
|------------|---|---------|-------------------|--------------------|-------|-------------------|-------------------|
| 146 | C ₁ H ₁ , O—CH ₁ CF ₁ OC ₁ F ₀ OCF ₀ | 96 | 74 | | | | |
| 147 | C ₂ M ₁ 2O | 106.1 | 95.6 | -8.8 | | 9.1 | 97.8 |
| 148 | C ₉ H ₁ ,O———————————————————————————————————— | 88 | 61 | | | | |
| 149 | C3H170-CH26 OCH2C3F40C4F8 | 100.8 | 90.9 | -8.2 | | 13.6 | 93.4 |
| 150 | C12H21-CH2L1-CCH2CF2OC2F4OCF3 | 64.80 | 59.1 | | 19.3 | 25.1 | 61.6 |
| 151 | C,H,10-0-0-10-10-10-10-10-10-10-10-10-10-10- | 96.3 | 68.7 | -4.4 | | 25.6 | 71.7 |
| 152 | C ₀ H ₁₃ —CH ₂ L ₂ CCH ₂ CF ₂ (OC ₁ F ₄) ₂ OCF ₃ | 75.2 | 32.3 | -8.7 | | 5.1 | 34.6 |
| 153 | CaMes—CH2P4 OC4F4 OC4F | 67.9 | 19 | -8.4 | | 12.6 | |
| 154 | CoHorago CHale COCHOCF SOC SE OCE S | 96.1 | 40 | -32 | | 8.7 | |
| 155 | C ₀ M ₁ 2O—CM ₂ CF ₁ (OC ₂ F ₁) ₀ OCF ₁ | 106.1 | 83.2 | -27.4 | | 22.8 | 85.7 |
| 156 | C ₀ H ₁₃ O———————————————————————————————————— | 102.1 | 79.2 | -27.3 | | 20.9 | 81.7 |
| 157 | C,M ts—CH12k OCH1CF1OC1F4OC4 | 78.4 | 55.2 | -24.5 | | 2.7 | 57.6 |
| 158 | C ₀ M ₁₇ —OCH ₇ CF ₃ l ₇ OCF | 79.00 | 57.5 | | -29.8 | 9.9 | |
| 159 | C ₂ H ₁ P | 55.9 | 12 | -24.5 | | | 16.4 |
| 160 | C ₈ M ₁₀ —OH ₂ LoCH ₂ CF ₃ OC ₃ F ₄ OC ₃ | 72.00 | 47.6 | 5 | -25 | 15.7 | |
| 16 | Collaction Collaction | 79.50 | 62.0 | 0 -25.4 | 0 | -10.40 | |
| 16 | 2 c ₈ H ₁₇ —OH ₂ C ₂ F ₄ OC ₄ | 73.20 | 0 55. | 1 | -29 | 25.4 | |

| Ex. No. | Structure | I to SA | to Sc | to S _{MI} | to K | to S _C | to SA |
|------------|--|---------|-------|--------------------|------|-------------------|-------|
| 163 | CHAIR CHAIR CONTRACTS | 94.6 | 81.6 | -16.7 | | -9.8 | 84 |
| 164 | C'H'O-O-HCH'IT OCH'CEFHOC'EPTIOCE | 73.9 | | -22.9 | · | | 28.9 |
| 165 | C'HO-Q-CHIP CHICKOC'S OC'S | 71.8 | 35.3 | -21.6 | | 26.6 | 39.8 |
| 166 | C4N40-C1P40C4F11 | 91.6 | 57.6 | 12.6 | | 20 | 60.3 |
| 167 | C.M | 76.8 | 4 | <-40 | | | 20 |
| 168 | CaMa, no-Chale Contact Froca Froca Fr | 74.7 | 40 | -36.5 | 22.4 | 43.7 | |
| 169 | C+M+10-0-10-10-10-10-10-10-10-10-10-10-10-10 | 84.4 | 56 | <-35 | | -34.7 | |
| 170 | Cq.Hq.p.—CD—(CHq.la-Ca-Fq.OCF) | 94.5 | 62.8 | <-47 | | | 65.3 |
| 171 | C,H,10-CH,10-CH,10-CH,10-F,0CC,F, | 76.7 | | <-47 | | | |
| 172 | Cally COCH, CaFaOCaFa | 80.2 | 25 | <-47 | | | |
| 173 | Calling OCHACE POCAR SOCIE | 82 | 63.5 | -44.5 | | -32 | 65.8 |
| 174 | CoHiso-CHisto CHisto Ch | 84.3 | 55.7 | <-47 | | -35.5 | 58.2 |
| 175 | C ₂ H ₁₃ O-OCH ₂ C ₂ F ₁₁ | 83.1 | | -14.8 | | | 36.2 |
| 176 | C.H.O. CHLOS, CC.H.CF, CC.F, C | 70.7 | 49.1 | -10.1 | | 14.7 | 50.5 |
| 177 | C,H1,O—O—CH1,H | 73.8 | 50.1 | -9.6 | | . 17 | 52.1 |
| 178 | C ₄ H ₁ DO—CH ₂ DOC ₄ F ₄ OC ₅ F ₅ OC ₅ F ₄ OC ₅ F ₄ OC ₅ F ₄ OC ₅ F ₅ OC | 78.3 | | -40.2 | | | 5.7 |
| 179 | C ₀ H ₁ ,O—CH ₂ D,OCH ₂ C ₃ F ₆ QC ₃ F | 80.3 | | -35.9 | | | 6.4 |
| 180 | C,M,,O—CH,CF,OC,F,OC,F | 83.1 | 69.8 | <-40 | | 0.7 | 71.2 |
| 181 | C ₀ M ₁ g ₀ ——————————————————————————————————— | 84.3 | 57.4 | -34.5 | | 6.8 | 59.8 |

| Er | Structure | I to SA | to Sc | to S _{MS} | to K | to Sc | to SA | |
|------------|--|------------|-------|--------------------|-------|-------|-------|-----|
| No. 182 | C;MacO———————————————————————————————————— | 86.3 | 73.7 | -20.3 | | -12.6 | 75.9 | |
| 183 | C,M,O-Q-CM,CF,OC,F,OC,F, | 79.1 | 58 | -23.3 | | 6.6 | | |
| 184 | C,Hu,O—COH,C,F,OC,F, | 80.3 | 55 | -24.7 | | 7.8 | 58.6 | |
| 185 | C ₀ M ₁₇ O———————————————————————————————————— | 78 | 70.4 | -33 | | 11.9 | 72.6 | |
| 186 | C_M110-CM20C1F40C1F5 | 77.6 | 74 | 0.6 | -11.2 | 3.2 | 77.3 | |
| 187 | Call 10-Chackaccas accas | 73/71 | 54.4 | 8.7 | | 15.6 | 56.6 | |
| 188 | CHINACONINO CHINACONICO NICO NICO NICO NICO NICO NICO NIC | 93.5 | 84.4 | <-47 | | <-47 | 86.9 | |
| 189 | chrocho-Q-Q-chry confailochrisce | 61.9 | 54.4 | 16.3 | | 21.8 | 56.5 | |
| 190 | c'm'achro-QC | 55.2 | 47.2 | 8.2 | -29.4 | 22.1 | 50.1 | |
| 191 | chrocho | 69.2 | 61.3 | -22.2 | | -8.6 | 63.9 | |
| 192 | C.F. DCC.F. DCC. | 61.6 | 57 | 4.2 | | 16.4 | | |
| 193 | CT TOTAL TOT | 32 | 24 | -14 | | 12.5 | 26.6 | |
| 194 | FOR SOR SOLOHOLOHOLOGING | 69.6 | 63 | | 16.2 | 17.8 | 65 | |
| 19: | CH30C,N40 | 78.8 | 51.8 | -19 | | 10.5 | 55 | |
| 190 | C'H'OC'HO - CH'1001 00H'CH'00H'CH'00 10 (C'L'0) 10 | 50 | 37.1 | | <5 | | | |
| 19 | CHOCHAO CHAROCHCHONOCHCF10(C1F40)+C | 56.7 | 38.6 | 9.8 | 2.9 | 23.8 | 40.7 | _ |
| 19 | B chache-0-chiachachachachachachachachachachachachacha | 61.9 | 54.4 | 16.3 | | 21.8 | 56.5 | ; |
| 19 | dering derivation of the second of the secon | 85.4 | 71. | -0.9 | | 10.1 | 73.1 | l . |
| 20 | 0 | F• 86.7 | 78. | 1 -5 | | 22.7 | 80.4 | 1 |
| , 20 | 1 c,r,, choc,ho-(h-c,r,chchochcr,oc,r,ch | . F | 47. | 1 -2 | | 13.3 | | |
| 20 | 2 C ₂ M ₁ y0-ON-OC ₂ M ₄ OCH ₂ CHCH ₂ OCH ₂ CF ₂ OC ₂ F ₄ | 108. | 9 93. | 6 - | , | 39.2 | ! | |

| Ex. No. | Structure | I to SA | to S _C | to S _{M1} | to K | to S _C | to SA |
|------------|--|---------|-------------------|--|------|-------------------|-----------|
| 203 | OH | 73 | | 41.9 | | | 31.5 |
| 204 | CHO-Q-Q-Q-Q-Q-Q-Q-Q-Q-Q-Q-Q-Q-Q-Q-Q-Q-Q-Q | 99.5 | 77.8 | 14.5 | | -1.6 | 80.3 |
| 205 | CHIO-O-O-O-OCHGRACHACH | 129.7 | 80.4 | -5 | | 17.6 | 82.8 |
| 206 | cure | 82 | 70.6 | 39.5 | | -30.8 | 73 |
| 207 | CHA,O-O-O-O-O-O-O-O-O-O-O-O-O-O-O-O-O-O-O- | 81 | 68 | <rt< td=""><td></td><td></td><td></td></rt<> | | | |
| 208 | cro-@-@-armanar | 100.8 | 94.1 | 12.7 | | 19.2 | 96.5 |
| 209 | | 78.2 | 60.3 | 11.3 | | 32.5 | 62.5 |
| 210 | CHE | 100.5 | 79.8 | -0.6 | | 11.7 | 82.3 |
| 211 | CHO-Q-Q-Q-Q-Q-Q-Q-Q-Q-Q-Q-Q-Q-Q-Q-Q-Q-Q-Q | 120.1 | 103. 1 | -5.3 | | 17.9 | 105. 9 |
| 212 | CaHi jO - OC3Hi eCHCH3OCH4CF jOC3F eOC4Fe | 100.9 | 75.5 | 2.2 | | 24 | 78 |
| 213 | C ₄ H ₁₇ O-O ₂ H ₁₄ CHCH ₂ OCH ₂ CF ₂ OC ₄ F ₄ OC ₄ F ₆ | 111.5 | 94.2 | -7.3 | | 14.4 | 96.7 |
| 214 | carto-Q-Q- | 96.4 | 85.4 | 59.2 | | 63.2 | 87.6 |
| 215 | C+1-0-0-0-0-1 c+1-0-1 c+1-0-1 | 82 | 65 | 2 | | | |
| 216 | C ₂ H ₁ 50 | 68 | 48 | -7 | | | - |
| 217 | C_H120-OC4H12OCH2CF20(C2F40)2C | , 93 | 81 | 24 | | | |
| 218 | C************************************* | 82.5 | 67.4 | 4 | | | |
| 219 | CW-10-0-0-00-00-0-0-0-0-0-0-0-0-0-0-0-0-0 | 73.8 | 57.7 | 1.7 | | | |

The data in Table 1 shows that most of the compounds of the invention exhibit smectic mesophases

and that many of the compounds exhibit a broad smectic C mesophase, which makes the compounds well-suited for use in liquid crystal display devices. As a result of the breadth of the smectic C mesophase, the compounds are useful in admixture with themselves or with other liquid crystal compounds, even at high concentration.

The smectic C layer spacing of selected compounds of the invention was measured as a function of temperature by Small Angle X-ray Scattering (SAXS), essentially as described in U.S. Patent No. 5,417,883, and a plot of the data is shown in Figure 1. This data indicates that the compounds of the invention generally exhibited maintenance or expansion of the smectic C layer spacing with decreasing temperature (and can be used to control layer spacing with respect to temperature as described in U.S. Patent No. 5,417,883). The expansion rate varied with structure.

Examples 220 through 236

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A series of devices, each containing a chiral 20 compound of this invention (designated by a parenthetical reference to Example No. in Table 2 below), was prepared essentially as described in U.S. Patent No. 5,377,033 (Radcliffe). The ITO-constituted 25 electrodes of each device were connected to an arbitrary waveform generator with variable output voltage. The device was driven by a voltage waveform consisting of bipolar, square pulses of $\pm 10 \text{V}/\mu\text{m}$ amplitude, spaced 30 milliseconds apart by a train of square pulses having the same width and 3.3 $V/\mu m$ 30 amplitude. The device was heated to the temperatures noted in Table 3 (below) and the polarization (nC/cm²), the $\tau_{\text{electric}},$ the smectic viscosity, and the tilt angle ϕ_t were determined as described below:

The polarization of the device was determined essentially as described by Miyasato et al. in Jap. J. Appl. Phys. 22, 661 (1983). The electronic response time, τ_{electric}, was derived from the displacement current of the ferroelectric liquid crystal device under an applied square voltage pulse. The current was viewed on a 100 megahertz bandwidth oscilloscope. The usual decaying exponential, associated with a dielectric filled capacitor, was followed by the spontaneous polarization (P_S) switching pulse. The time from the rising edge of the voltage pulse to the peak of the P_S pulse was taken to be τelectric. The rotational viscosity (smectic viscosity, η) was calculated as shown below:

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 $\eta(10^{-3} \text{ kg / m \cdot s}) = 0.01 \cdot P_S \cdot E \cdot \text{'electric'}$ where the units of P_S , E, and τ_{electric} are respectively nC/cm²t, V/ μ m, and μ s. The tilt angle ϕ_t of the mixture was taken to be half the angle separating the extinction points of the driven states. The results given in Table 2 show fast response times over a wide temperature range.

Table 2.

| Example No. | Temper- ature (°C) | Reduced Temper- ature (T-T _C , *C) | Polari- zation (nC/cm²) | Response Time (μs) | Smectic Viscosity (mPa · s) | Tilt Angle (degrees) |
|-------------|-----------------------|---|-------------------------------|--------------------------|-----------------------------------|-------------------------|
| 220 | 50.2 | -9.3 | 25.3 | 5.8 | 14.6 | 22.6 |
| (using | 39.6 | -19.9 | 31.6 | 7.0 | 22.0 | 24.1 |
| compound | 29.6 | -29.9 | 37.1 | 8.1 | 29.9 | 24.6 |
| of Ex. | 19.5 | -40.0 | 42.2 | 9.9 | 41.7 | 24.7 |
| No. 144) | 14.2 | -45.3 | 45.0 | 11.2 | 50.4 | 24.7 |

| Example No. | Temper- | | | | | |
|---------------|------------|-------------------------|----------|----------|-----------|------------|
| | | Temper- | Polari- | Response | Smectic | Tilt Angle |
| | ature (°C) | ature | zation | Time | Viscosity | (degrees) |
| | | (T-T _c , °C) | (nC/cm²) | · (μs) | (mPa·s) | |
| 221 | 40.5 | -9.9 | 27.1 | 5.0 | 13.6 | 20.8 |
| (using | 30.3 | -20.1 | 33.1 | 6.4 | 21.2 | 21.7 |
| compound | 20.1 | -30.3 | 38.8 | 7.5 | 29.1 | 22.1 |
| of EL No. 40) | 9.9 | -40.5 | 45.2 | 9.4 | 42.5 | 0.0 |
| 222 | 53.0 | 3.0 | 2.1 | 8.0 | 1.7 | |
| (using | 42.7 | -7.3 | 3.7 | 37.9 | 14.0 | 16.1 |
| compound | 32.5 | -17.5 | 3.8 | 76.5 | 29.1 | 18.1 |
| of Ex. No. | 22.1 | -27.9 | 2.1 | | | 18.9 |
| 106) | | | | | | |
| 223 | 73.5 | -8.5 | 27.5 | 5.2 | 14.4 | 23.3 |
| (using | 62.9 | -19.1 | 34.6 | 6.1 | 21.0 | 24.9 |
| compound | 52.7 | -29.3 | 41.2 | 7.0 | 28.6 | 25.6 |
| of Ex. | 42.7 | -39.3 | 47.0 | 8.2 | 38.4 | 25.8 |
| No. 45) | 32.3 | -49.7 | 53.3 | 10.3 | 54.8 | 25.9 |
| | 22.3 | -59.7 | 59.3 | 13.4 | 79.6 | 25.7 |
| | 12.0 | -70.1 | 61.2 | 19.5 | 119.6 | 25.5 |
| 224 | 87.6 | -8.4 | 26.7 | 5.5 | 14.7 | 28.6 |
| (using | 77.5 | -18.5 | 32.7 | 6.3 | 20.5 | 30.2 |
| compound | 67.2 | -28.8 | 38.0 | 7.0 | 26.5 | 31.8 |
| of Ex. | 57.0 | -39.0 | 42.6 | 8.0 | 33.9 | 32.0 |
| No. 46) | 46.8 | -49.2 | 47.3 | 9.4 | 44.7 | 32.0 |
| | 36.5 | -59.5 | 52.4 | 11.5 | 60.5 | 31.7 |
| | 26.2 | -69.8 | 57.5 | 15.4 | 88.3 | 31.4 |
| | 16.0 | -80.1 | 63.7 | 21.9 | 139.5 | 31.1 |
| 225 | 70.7 | -1.3 | 6.4 | 6.2 | 4.0 | 15.3 |
| (using | 60.3 | -11.7 | 9.7 | 10.5 | 10.2 | 18.0 |
| compound | 50.2 | -21.8 | 11.7 | 13.1 | 15.2 | 18.8 |
| of Ex. | 40.1 | -31.9 | 13.1 | 16.5 | 21.6 | 19.1 |
| No. 93) | 30.0 | -42.0 | 14.2 | 22.1 | 31.4 | 19.1 |
| 226 | 91.6 | -12.4 | 23.7 | 6.4 | 15.3 | 28.7 |
| (using | 78.0 | -26.0 | 31.2 | 8.1 | 25.4 | 31.4 |

| | | Reduced | | | | |
|-------------|------------|-------------------------|----------|----------|-----------|------------|
| Example No. | Temper- | Temper- | Polari- | Response | Smectic | Tilt Angle |
| · | ature (°C) | ature | zation | Time | Viscosity | (degrees) |
| | | (T-T _c , °C) | (nC/cm²) | (µs) | (mPa·s) | |
| compound | 64.1 | -39.9 | 38.5 | 10.6 | 40.9 | 32.6 |
| of Ex. | 50.1 | -53.9 | 47.0 | 14.8 | 69.8 | 33.2 |
| No. 73) | 36.1 | -67.9 | 58.1 | 22.6 | 131.4 | 33.6 |
| | 22.2 | -81.8 | 72.6 | 39.9 | 289.4 | 33.9 |
| 227 | 85.6 | -9.9 | 17.0 | 6.6 | 11.2 | 26.4 |
| (using | 75.8 | -19.7 | 20.5 | 7.5 | 15.4 | 27.9 |
| compound | 65.6 | -29.9 | 23.1 | 8.5 | 19.5 | 28.4 |
| of Ex. | 55.8 | -39.7 | 25.2 | 9.7 | 24.5 | 28.4 |
| No. 133) | 45.6 | -49.9 | 27.9 | 11.4 | 31.9 | 28.3 |
| | 35.6 | -59.9 | 30.8 | 14.0 | 43.0 | 28.0 |
| | 25.5 | -70.0 | 34.8 | 18.3 | 63.7 | |
| 228 | 69.1 | -9.9 | 19.0 | 7.4 | 14.1 | 22.2 |
| (using | 58.9 | -20.1 | 22.0 | 9.7 | 21.3 | 23.2 |
| compound | 49.0 | -30.0 | 23.9 | 12.7 | 30.4 | 23.3 |
| of Ex. | 38.8 | -40.2 | 25.6 | 17.3 | 44.3 | 22.9 |
| No. 204) | 29.1 | -49.9 | 27.0 | 24.8 | 67.0 | 22.2 |
| | 19.0 | -60.0 | 28.5 | 42.0 | 119.7 | 21.4 |
| 1 | 9.1 | -69.9 | 30.1 | 77.2 | 232.4 | 20.6 |
| 229 | 55.3 | -10.2 | 21.4 | 7.9 | 16.8 | 23.5 |
| (using | 45.4 | -20.1 | 24.2 | 9.3 | 22.5 | 24.6 |
| compound | 35.5 | -30.0 | 27.5 | 11.7 | 32.1 | 24.8 |
| of Ex. | 25.2 | -40.3 | 30.0 | 15.8 | 47.4 | 24.7 |
| No. 173) | 15.2 | -50.3 | 31.6 | 23.3 | 73.8 | 24.4 |
| | 5.4 | -60.1 | 33.8 | 39.7 | 134.5 | 23.9 |
| 230 | 62.1 | -10.1 | 21.7 | 8.8 | 19.0 | 27.4 |
| (using | 52.1 | -20.1 | 27.9 | 10.2 | 28.3 | 29.1 |
| compound | 42.0 | -30.2 | 34.6 | 12.1 | 41.8 | 29.8 |
| of Ex. | 32.1 | -40.1 | 41.4 | 15.3 | 63.5 | 30.0 |
| No. 206) | 22.1 | -50.1 | 49.2 | 20.5 | 100.9 | , 30.1 |
| | 12.1 | -60.1 | 56.2 | 30.2 | 169.8 | 30.0 |
| | 2.1 | -70.1 | 65.4 | 51.8 | 338.6 | 29.8 |

| Example No. | Temper- | Reduced Temper- | Polari- | Response | Smeetic | Tilt Angle |
|-------------|------------|-------------------------|----------|---------------|-----------|------------------------|
| | ature (°C) | ature | zation | Time | Viscosity | (degr ee s) |
| | | (T-T _c , °C) | (nC/cm²) | (µ s) | (mPa·s) | |
| 231 | 72.1 | -4.6 | 4.4 | 8.7 | 3.9 | 15.2 |
| (using | 67.2 | -9.5 | 5.2 | 10.3 | 5.3 | 16.2 |
| compound | 56.8 | -19.9 | 6.9 | 11.1 | 7.7 | 16.3 |
| of Ex. | 46.8 | -29.9 | 8.1 | 12.1 | 9.8 | 16.1 |
| No. 101) | 36.7 | -40.0 | 9.0 | 13.8 | 12.4 | 15.8 |
| | 26.7 | -50,0 | 10.5 | 16.4 | 17.2 | 15.6 |
| | 16.6 | -60.1 | 11.4 | 21.5 | 24.6 | 15.2 |
| 232 | 39.4 | -9.9 | 74.3 | - 11.5 | 85.6 | 35.3 |
| (using | 29.1 | -20.2 | 89.8 | 16.4 | 147.2 | 37.1 |
| compound | 19.1 | -30.2 | 98.3 | 25.6 | 251.5 | 37.9 |
| of Ex. | 9.1 | -40.2 | 101.3 | 46.2 | 467.7 | 38.3 |
| No. 216) | -1.0 | -50.3 | 104.9 | 106.2 | 1114.0 | 38.4 |
| 233 | 39.3 | -6.5 | 38.1 | 5.0 | 19.2 | |
| (using | 32.2 | -13.6 | 47.5 | 6.9 | 33.0 | |
| compound | 24.2 | -21.6 | 58.2 | 8.7 | 50.6 | |
| of Ex. | 17.0 | -28.8 | 69.3 | 10.6 | 73.7 | |
| No. 59) | 9.6 | -36.2 | 82.2 | 14.0 | 115.1 | |
| 234 | 77.0 | -11.5 | 38.2 | 4.6 | 17.8 | |
| (using | 66.8 | -21.7 | 46.3 | 5.2 | 24.0 | 27.9 |
| compound | 56.8 | -31.7 | 55.6 | 6.0 | 33.3 | 28.6 |
| of Ex. | 46.9 | -41.6 | 61.1 | 7.0 | 42.7 | 28.8 |
| No. 63) | 36.9 | -51.6 | 68.1 | 8.7 | 59.4 | 28.8 |
| | 26.8 | -61.7 | 74.4 | 11.5 | 85.2 | |
| | 16.7 | -71.8 | 80.1 | 16.4 | 131.2 | |
| 235 | 43.1 | -7.1 | 42.7 | 4.2 | 17.9 | |
| (using | 38.4 | -11.8 | 49.0 | 5.1 | 25.1 | |
| compound | 33.7 | -16.5 | 55.5 | 6.0 | 33.6 | |
| of Ex. | 28.7 | -21.5 | 62.8 | 7.1 | 44.4 | |
| No. 53) | 23.7 | -26.5 | 70.0 | 8.3 | 57.8 | |
| | 18.8 | -31.4 | 78.1 | 9.7 | 76.0 | |
| | 13.6 | -36.6 | 88.4 | 11.5 | 101.8 | |

| Example No. | Temper- ature (°C) | Reduced Temper- ature (T-T _C , *C) | Polari- zation (nC/cm²) | Response Time (µs) | Smeetic Viscosity (mPa - s) | Tilt Angle (degrees) |
|-------------|-----------------------|---|-------------------------------|--------------------------|-----------------------------------|-------------------------|
| 236 | 68.0 | -10.0 | 13.0 | 7.4 | 9.6 | 23.4 |
| (using | 58.0 | -20.0 | 16.2 | 8.4 | 13.6 | 24.7 |
| compound | 48.0 | -30.0 | 17.6 | 10.0 | 17.6 | 25.0 |
| of Ex. | 38.0 | -40.0 | 19.1 | 12.6 | 24.1 | 24.9 |
| No. 182) | 28.0 | -50.0 | 20.4 | 16.7 | 34.1 | 24.6 |
| | 18.0 | -60.0 | 21.9 | 24.0 | 52.6 | 24.1 |
| | 8.0 | -70.0 | 23.4 | 39.9 | 93.4 | 23.6 |

Example 237

A device was prepared essentially as described above using a mixture of 90 weight % of the compound of the invention prepared in Example 93 and 10 weight % 5-octyloxy-2-[4-(3-(4-

(nonafluorobutoxy)octafluorobutoxy)-2,2,3,3,4,4hexafluorobutoxy)2-(S)-fluoropropoxyphenyl]pyrimidine
(prepared essentially as described in Example 12 of

International Patent Publication No. WO 96/33251), and
the electrooptical properties of the mixture were
measured essentially as previously described. The
results are shown in Table 4.

15 Example 238 - 242

In the following Examples, a series of devices,
each containing at least one chiral compound of this
invention, were prepared essentially as described in
U.S. Patent No. 5,377,033 (Radcliffe) and filled with a
20 mixture of liquid crystal compounds. The composition
of each mixture (in weight percent) and the phase
transition temperatures of the mixtures are shown in
Table 3.

Compound B, 5-heptyloxy-2-[4-(6-(2-(2-(2-(2-(trifluoromethoxy)tetrafluoroethoxy)tetrafluoroethoxy)-2,2-difluoroethoxy)hexyl)phenyl]pyrimidine was prepared using essentially the procedure of Example 1 by combining 6-(2-(2-(2-

20 (trifluoromethoxy)tetrafluoroethoxy) 2,2-difluoroethoxy)hex-1-ene and 5-heptyloxy-2-(4(trifluoromethylsulfonyl)phenyl)pyrimidine.

Compound C, 5-heptyloxy-2-[4-(6-(3-(pentafluoroethoxy)-2,2,3,3-

to provide a yield of 4.45 g.

25 tetrafluoropropoxy)hexyl)phenyl)pyrimidine was prepared
using essentially the procedure of Example 1 by
combining 3-(pentafluoroethoxy)-2,2,3,3tetrafluoropropoxy)hex-1-ene and 5-heptyloxy-2-(4(trifluoromethylsulfonyl)phenyl)pyrimidine.

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Table 3.

| | | | Exampl | e No. | | |
|---------------|-----|-----|--------|----------|---------|----------|
| Compound | 237 | 238 | 239 | 240 | 241 | 242 |
| Example 93 | 90 | | | | | <u> </u> |
| Example 12 of | 10 | | | <u> </u> | <u></u> | <u> </u> |

| <u> </u> | | Example No. | | | | | |
|--------------------|--------|-------------|----------|----------|------|------|--|
| Compound | 237 | 238 | 239 | 240 | 241 | 242 | |
| WO 96/33251 | | | | | | | |
| Example 155 | | 15 | 15 | 10 | | | |
| Example 63 | | 30 | 30 | 20 | | | |
| Example 211 | | 25 | | | | | |
| Example 30 of | | 10 | 10 | 10 | | | |
| US 5658491 | | | | | | | |
| Compound A | | 20 | 20 | 20 | | | |
| Example 204 | , | | 25 | | | | |
| Example 34 | | | | 40 | | | |
| Example 200 | | | | | 54 | | |
| Example 13 | | | | | 46 | | |
| Example 112 | | | | | | 15 | |
| Example 44 | | | | | | 20 | |
| Example 35 | | | | | | 20 | |
| Example 151 | | | | | | 10 | |
| Compound B | | · | | | | 15 | |
| Compound C | | | | | | 20 | |
| Tran | sition | Tempe | rature l | Data (°C | :) | | |
| I to SA | 112.3 | | 102.6 | 101.2 | 96.0 | 98.0 | |
| to Sc | 55.4 | 74.0 | 68.2 | 64 | 79.2 | 55.4 | |
| to S _{Mi} | <6 | <1 | <1 | <-1 | 10 | <-5 | |

Table 4.

| | | Reduced | | | | |
|---------|---------|-------------------------|----------|----------|-----------|------------|
| Example | Temper- | Temper- | Polari- | Response | Smectic | Tilt Angle |
| No. | ature | ature | zation | Time | Viscosity | (degrees) |
| | (C) | (T-T _c , °C) | (nC/cm²) | (µs) | (mPa·s) | |
| 237 | 46.6 | -8.8 | 13.4 | 6.1 | 8.2 | 14.8 |
| | 36.7 | -18.7 | 15.7 | 8.3 | 13.0 | 15.5 |
| | 26.8 | -28.6 | 17.4 | 10.9 | 19.0 | 15.4 |
| · | 16.5 | -38.9 | 18.5 | 15.6 | 28.8 | 15.1 |
| | 6.4 | -49.0 | 19.8 | 24.4 | 48.4 | 14.8 |

| | | Reduced | | | | |
|---------|---------|-------------------------|----------|----------|-----------|------------|
| Example | Temper- | Temper- | Polari- | Response | Smectic | Tilt Angle |
| No. | ature | ature | zation | Time | Viscosity | (degrees) |
| | (ප) | (T-T _c , °C) | (nC/cm²) | (µs) | (mPa·s) | |
| 238 | 62 | -10 | 22.5 | 6.1 | 13.7 | 23.3 |
| | 52 | -20 | 27.7 | 7.3 | 20,2 | 24.9 |
| | 42 | -30 | 31.9 | 9.0 | 28.7 | 25.6 |
| | 32 | -40 | 36.2 | 11.4 | 41.1 | 25.9 |
| | 22 | -50 | 40.7 | 15.9 | 64.5 | 26.0 |
| 239 | 58 | -10 | 20.7 | 6.3 | 13.1 | 22.4 |
| | 48 | -20 | 25.4 | 7.7 | 19.6 | 24.0 |
| | 38 | -30 | 29.1 | 9.5 | 27.5 | 24.6 |
| | 28 | -40 | 32.6 | 12.1 | 39.4 | 24.8 |
| | 18 | -50 | 35.7 | 17.7 | 63.1 | 24.8 |
| 240 | 52 | -10 | 24.3 | 6.3 | 15.4 | |
| | 42 | -20 | 28.8 | 7.4 | 21.5 | |
| } | 32 | -30 | 33.4 | 9.4 | 31.4 | 8 |
| | 22 | -40 | 37.1 | 12.8 | 47.5 | |
| | 12 | -50 | 41.8 | 18.7 | 78.2 | |
| 241 | 69 | -10 | 33.7 | 6.9 | 23.1 | 29.0 |
| İ | 59 | -20 | 41.7 | 8.0 | 33.3 | 30.9 |
| | 49 | -30 | 48.5 | 9.6 | 46.6 | 31.8 |
| ł | 39 | -40 | 57.0 | 12.0 | 68.3 | 32.3 |
| | 29 | -50 | 64.9 | 15.7 | 102.2 | 32.5 |
| | 19 | -60 | 76.3 | 22.2 | 169.2 | 32.7 |
| 242 | 49 | -7 | 16.4 | 5.6 | 9.2 | 17.7 |
| | 38 | -17 | 21.6 | 8.5 | 18.3 | 19.6 |
| | 28 | -27 | 26.3 | 11.1 | 29.3 | 20.6 |
| | 23 | -32 | 28.4 | 12.9 | 36.6 | 20.9 |
| | 18 | -37 | 31.1 | 15.3 | 47.8 | 21.1 |
| | 8 | -47 | 36.8 | 23.4 | 86.0 | 21.5 |

The results shown in Table 4 indicate that the compounds of the invention can be used in mixtures in liquid crystal display devices to provide low mixture viscosities and improve the performance of the devices.

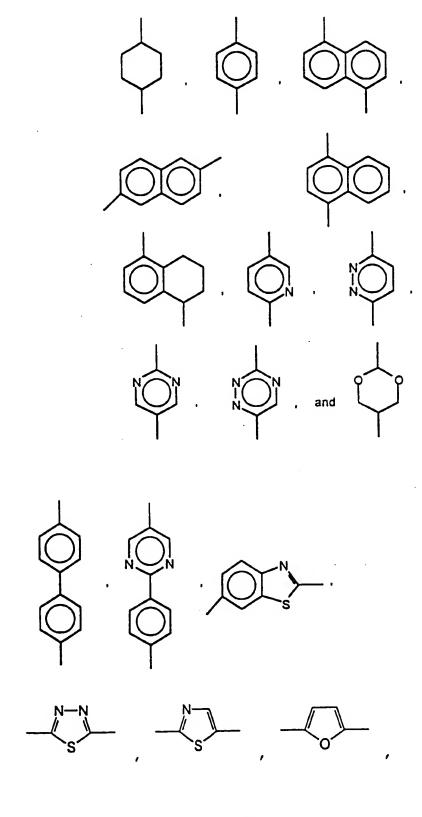
Various modifications and alterations of this invention will become apparent to those skilled in the art without departing from the scope and spirit of this invention.

What Is Claimed Is:

- Fluorine-containing, chiral liquid crystal compounds having smectic mesophases or latent smectic 5 mesophases, the compounds comprising (a) a chiral fluorochemical terminal portion comprising (i) at least one chiral center, which can optionally be heteroatomsubstituted; (ii) a terminal fluoroalkyl, fluoroether, perfluoroalkyl, or perfluoroether group; and (iii) an alkylene or fluoroalkylene group optionally containing at least one catenary ether oxygen atom; (b) a chiral or achiral terminal portion consisting of a hydrocarbon or hydrocarbon ether group and, when chiral, comprising at least one chiral center, which can optionally be heteroatom-substituted; and (c) a central core connecting said terminal portions; said alkylene or fluoroalkylene group of said chiral fluorochemical terminal portion having at least 3 in-chain atoms and being located between said chiral center of said chiral fluorochemical terminal portion and said central core. 20
- The compounds of Claim 1 wherein said chiral fluorochemical terminal portion is represented by the formula -D-R*-D-R*, where R* is a cyclic or acyclic chiral moiety containing at least one chiral center; R* is fluoroalkyl, perfluoroalkyl, fluoroether, or perfluoroether; and each D is independently and non-directionally selected from the group consisting of a covalent bond,
- 30 $-C(=0)-O-C_rH_{2r}-$, $-O-C_rH_{2r}-$, $-O-(O=)C-C_rH_{2r}-$, -C=C-, -CH=CH-, -C(=0)-,
 - $-O+C_sH_{2s}O+_tC_r\cdot H_{2r}\cdot -$, $-C_rH_{2r}-$, $+C_sH_{2s}O+_tC_r\cdot H_{2r}\cdot -$, -O-, -S-,

- 5 -C_rH_{2r}-N-C(=0)-, -CH=N-,
 and combinations thereof, where one or more hydrogen
 atoms can optionally be replaced with fluorine, and
 where r and r' are independently integers of 0 to about
 20, s is independently an integer of 1 to about 10 for
 10 each (C_sH_{2s}O), t is an integer of 1 to about 6, and p is
 an integer of 0 to about 4; with the proviso that there
 are at least 3 in-chain atoms between said central core
 and at least one said chiral center of R*.
- 3. The compounds of Claim 1 wherein said compounds are represented by the general formula (I):

where M, N, and P are each independently selected from the group consisting of



$$N$$
 N N and

a, b, and c are each independently zero or an integer
of from 1 to 3, with the proviso that the sum of a + b
+ c be at least 1;

each A and B are non-directionally and independently selected from the group consisting of a covalent bond,

$$-C(=0)-O-$$
, $-C(=0)-S-$, $-C(=0)-Se-$,

15 $-C(=0)-Te^-$, $-(CH_2CH_2)_k$ — where k is 1 to 4, $-CH=CH^-$, $-C=C^-$, $-CH=N^-$, $-CH_2-O^-$, -C(=O)—, and $-O^-$;

each X, Y, and Z are independently selected from the group consisting of -H, -Cl, -F, -Br, -I, -OH, -OCH₃,

20 $-CH_3$, $-CF_3$, $-OCF_3$, -CN, and $-NO_2$;

each 1, m, and n are independently zero or an integer of 1 to 4;

- 25 each D is non-directionally and independently selected
 from the group consisting of a covalent bond,
 ' -C(=O)-O-C_rH_{2r}-, -O-C_rH_{2r}-, -O-(O=)C-C_rH_{2r}-, -C=C-,
 -CH=CH-, -C(=O)-,
- 30 $-O+C_sH_{2s}O+_cC_r\cdot H_{2r}\cdot -$, $-C_rH_{2r}-$, $+C_sH_{2s}O+_cC_r\cdot H_{2r}\cdot -$, -O-, -S-,

$$-OSO_{2}-, -SO_{2}-, -SO_{2}-C_{r}H_{2r}-, -C_{r}H_{2r}-N-SO_{2}-, -N\left(C_{p}H_{2p+1}\right)-, \\ C_{p}H_{2p+1}$$

5 $-C_rH_{2r}-N-C$ (=0)-, -CH=N-, and combinations thereof, C_pH_{2p+1}

where one or more hydrogen atoms can optionally be replaced with fluorine, and where r and r' are independently integers of 0 to about 20, s is independently an integer of 1 to about 10 for each (C₃H₂₃O), t is an integer of 1 to about 6, and p is an integer of 0 to about 4;

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R is selected from the group consisting of
$$-O-((C_q\cdot H_{2q'-v}\cdot -(R')_{v'})-O)_w-C_qH_{2q+1-v}-(R')_v\ ,\\ -((C_q\cdot H_{2q'-v}\cdot -(R')_{v'})-O)_w-C_qH_{2q+1-v}-(R')_v\ ,$$

$$-CR'H-(D)_{q}-CR'H-C_{q}H_{2q+1-v}-(R')_{v}$$
,

30 where each R' is independently selected from the group consisting of -Cl, -F, -CF₃, -NO₂, -CN, -H, -C_qH_{2q+1},

-O-(O=)C-C_qH_{2q+1}, -C(=O)-O-C_qH_{2q+1}, -Br, -OH, and -OC_qH_{2q+1}; q' is independently an integer of 1 to about 20 for each (C_q·H_{2q}·-O); q is an integer of 1 to about 20; w is an integer of 0 to about 10; v is an integer of 0 to about 2; each v' is independently an integer of 0 to

about 2; g is an integer of 1 to about 3; each D is independently and non-directionally selected from the group set forth for D above, with the proviso that the ring containing D has from about 3 to about 10 ring atoms; each W is independently selected from the group consisting of N, CR', and SiR'; and R can be chiral or achiral; and

R* is a cyclic or acyclic chiral moiety containing at least one chiral center; and

R, is fluoroalkyl, perfluoroalkyl, fluoroether, or perfluoroether;

- with the proviso that there are at least 3 in-chain atoms between said central core structure $-(M)_a-A(N)_bB(P)_c-$ and at least one said chiral center of R*.
- 20 4. The compounds of Claim 3 wherein
 said R* is selected from the group consisting of
 -O-((Cq'H2q'-v'-(R')v')-O)w-CqH2q-v-(R')v-,
 -((Cq'H2q'-v'-(R')v')-O)w-CqH2q-v-(R')v-,
 -C(=O)-O-CqH2q-v-(R')v-, -O-(O=)C-CqH2q-v-(R')v-,

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where each R' is independently selected from the group consisting of -Cl, -F, -CF₃, -NO₂, -CN, -H, -C_qH_{2q+1}, -O-(O=)C-C_qH_{2q+1}, -C(=0)-O-C_qH_{2q+1}, -Br, -OH, and -OC_qH_{2q+1}; q' is independently an integer of 1 to about 20 for

each (Cq'H2q'-O); q is an integer of 1 to about 20; w is
an integer of 0 to about 10; v is an integer of 0 to
about 3; each v' is independently an integer of 0 to
about 3; g is an integer of 1 to about 3; each D is
independently and non-directionally selected from the
group set forth for D in Claim 3, with the proviso that
the ring containing D has from about 3 to about 10 ring
atoms; each W is independently selected from the group
consisting of N, CR', and SiR'; and with the proviso
that R* is chiral.

- 5. The compounds of Claim 3 wherein said compounds are represented by the general formula (II):
- 15 $R'' (0)_{j} G D' R^* (C_{s'} H_{2s'} \cdot 0)_{t'} C_{r''} H_{2r''} R_{f}$ (II)

where R'' is $(R')_v-C_qH_{2q+1-v}$, where q is an integer of 2 to about 10, each R' is independently selected from the group consisting of hydrogen, fluorine, chlorine,

- 20 methyl, and perfluoromethyl, and v is an integer of 1 to about 2;
 - j is an integer of 0 or 1;
- 25 G is selected from the group consisting of

where one or more aromatic hydrogen atoms can be replaced with fluorine;

D' is selected from the group consisting of $-O\{C_sH_{2s}O\}_tC_r\cdot H_{2r'}-$, $-C_rH_{2r}-$, $\{C_sH_{2s}O\}_tC_r\cdot H_{2r'}-$, and $-O-C_rH_{2r}-$, where r and r' are independently integers of 0 to about 12, s is independently an integer of 1 to about 10 for each $(C_sH_{2s}O)$, and t is an integer of 1 to about 3;

 R^{\star} is selected from the group consisting of $-C_{q}H_{2q-v}-\left(R^{\,q}\right)_{\,v}-$ and

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where R' is -F, q is an integer of 1 to about 4, v is an integer of 1 to about 3, W is N or CH, and D" is -C(=0)-0- or $-CH_2-$;

s' is an integer of 1 to about 6;

t' is an integer of 0 or 1;

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r" is an integer of 1 to about 3; and

 R_f is selected from the group consisting of $-C_qF_{2q+1}$ and $-(C_xF_{2x}O)_zC_yF_{2y+1}$, where q is an integer of 1 to about 6, x is independently an integer of 1 to about 10 for each $(C_xF_{2x}O)$, y is an integer of 1 to about 8, and z is an integer of 1 to about 5;

with the proviso that there are at least 3 in-chain atoms between said central core structure G and at least one said chiral center of R*.

Fluorine-containing, chiral liquid crystal 6. compounds having smectic mesophases or latent smectic mesophases, the compounds comprising (a) a chiral 20 fluorochemical terminal portion comprising (i) at least one chiral center, which can optionally be heteroatomsubstituted; (ii) a terminal perfluoroether group; and (iii) an alkylene group optionally containing at least one catenary ether oxygen atom; (b) a chiral or achiral terminal portion consisting of a hydrocarbon or hydrocarbon ether group, and, when chiral, comprising at least one chiral center, which can optionally be heteroatom-substituted; and (c) a central core 30 connecting said terminal portions; said alkylene group of said chiral fluorochemical terminal portion having at least 3 in-chain atoms and being located between said chiral center of said chiral fluorochemical terminal portion and said central core.

7. Fluorine-containing, chiral liquid crystal compounds having smectic mesophases or latent smectic mesophases, the compounds comprising two fluorochemical terminal portions and being represented by the general formula VIII:

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where n' is an integer of 0 to about 10; j is an integer of 0 or 1; each R, moiety is independently selected from the group consisting of fluoroalkyl, fluoroether, perfluoroalkyl, and perfluoroether; and all other moieties are as defined in Claim 3 above.

8. Chiral liquid crystal intermediate compounds represented by the following general formulas IV, VI, and VII:

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$$B''+P_c-D-R*-D-R_f \qquad (IV),$$

$$\begin{vmatrix} & & & \\ & & \\ & & Z_n & & \\ & & & \\ & & & \\ & & & \\ & & & \\ & & & & \\ & & \\ & & & \\ & & \\ & & & \\ & & \\ & & \\ & & & \\ & &$$

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and

$$A^{"} + (N)_D B + (P)_c - D - R^* - D - R_f \qquad (VI),$$

$$\downarrow \qquad \qquad \downarrow \qquad \qquad \downarrow$$

$$Y_m = Z_n$$

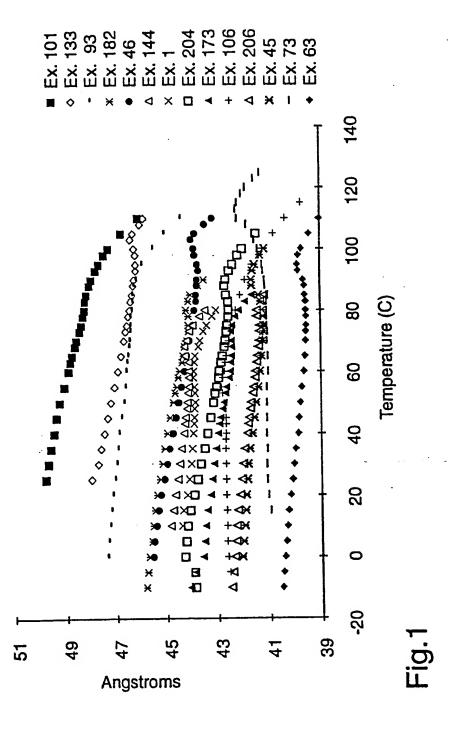
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where N, P, b, c, B, Y, Z, m, n, D, R*, and R_f are as defined in Claim 4; and A'' and B'' are selected from the group consisting of -H, -Cl, -Br, -I, -OH, -COOH, -CH(CH_2OH)₂, -SH, -SeH, -TeH, -NH₂, -COCl, -CHO,

35 -C≡CH, dialkyl borane, -CH=CH₂, -OSO₂R₁''', -OSO₂CH₃, -OSO₂-cyclo(C₆H₄)-CH₃, -CH₂COOH,

-NH(C=0)OC $_q$ H $_2$ q+1 , -NCO, and -CH(C(0)O-C $_q$ H $_2$ q+1) $_2$, where R $_1$ ''' is a perfluoroalkyl group having from 1 to about 10 carbon atoms and q is an integer of 0 to about 20.

- 5 9. The compounds of any of Claims 1, 2, 3, 4, 7, or 8 wherein said R_f is perfluoroalkyl or perfluoroether.
- 10. The compounds of any of Claims 1, 2, 3, 4, 7, 10 or 8 wherein said R_f is perfluoroether.
- 11. A mixture of liquid crystal compounds comprising at least one fluorine-containing liquid crystal compound of any of Claims 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 9, or 10.
 - 12. A liquid crystal display device containing at least one fluorine-containing liquid crystal compound of any of Claims 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 9, or 10.



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The ISA considers that the claims 1-12 fail to comply with the prescribed requirements of Article 6 PCT, namely that of support in the description, to such an extent that a meaningful search could not be carried out to cover the claimed subject-matter (cf. Article 17(2)(a)(ii) & (b) PCT). Said noncompliance with Article 6 PCT is considered to arise, due to the scope of said claims encompassing a vast number of possible solutions (compounds), whose number and scope is far greater than that which might reasonably be considered commensurate with the support provided by the examples - it includes a vast number of compounds structurally quite different and thus removed from the structure of said examples, even when taking into consideration a limited generalised structure o the latter. Consequently, the search has been directed to those parts (i.e. compounds) of the claims with are supported by specific examples in the description and/or by a generic structure derived from a limited generalisation thereof commensurate with the scope of of said specific examples (cf. Article 17(2)(b) PCT).

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